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Rules and Regulations for the government of Friends Boarding School at Providence

The Superintendent shall govern the family of this Institution,
under direction of the acting Committee. ~~He~~ they are ~~is~~ therefore to have
the general charge & oversight of the house. keep an account of
all expenditures, and receipts of money. Provide necessaries for the
and ~~charge generally~~ the general direction of those employed
family, ~~direct the work in the garden & grounds. & the men employed~~
as labourers in the service of the Institution
" " " ~~in Services agreed upon by the acting Committee.~~
And exercise a care that the whole be kept in good order "
on the part of Scholars
Every request for leave of absence from School is to be made to ~~him~~ them, and they
are according to the best of their Discretion
~~is~~ to act therein ~~as may~~ be ~~most~~ conducive to the benefit of the ~~individuals~~ Scholars
~~and the advantage of the Institution~~ " All those employed in
the house either as domestics, or care takers, are to regard the Superintendant
as representing the acting Committee in its absence, and by a ready compliance
with his directions aid him in promoting the interest of the Institution
and carrying into effect the conclusions of said Committee. And it is
desired that the several branches of the family would studiously endeavour
by a circumspect. kind attention to each other in their respective departments
to promote the prevalency of harmony and love. ~~And when liberty is granted~~
~~[illegible] [illegible] from the [illegible]~~
~~to the Scholars which the Superintendant shall~~ Judge ~~unsafe or improper.~~
It is also desired they aid the teachers with their
~~he is to speak with the tutors privately, aid them with his~~ advice & judgment
as occasion may require. and use ~~his~~ their influence to preserve their authority
of the teachers
over the pupils as much as possible. "
The Teachers of both sexes shall instruct the pupils in such useful

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branches of learning as may be approved of by the Committee, dine with the children & one or more be present at their other meals and lodge in the same room with them — They shall have the government of them when in school and by rotation exercise a care over them when out and attend them in their recreations — They are to keep the boys & girls separate except at meetings for worship or other religious opportunities: but (Brothers & sisters, at the discretion of the Superintendant ~~or Tutor~~ may be permitted to converse with each other at suitable seasons, care being ~~noticed~~ taken that those of one family only be allowed to be present at the same interview) Sec I — Each Scholar after being 3 Months or 1 term at school may be allowed to go home on a visit and the parents or guardians of such child should be careful that it return within the time limited by the Superintendant, but no pupil is allowed to make a visit to his or her friends or relations, either in the neighbourhood of the school or at a greater distance oftener than once in 3 months except on extraordinary occasions.

Appropriation of time for the Childrens meals & hours of Study. VII — — — — — — — — — — — —

The Scholars are to dine each day throughout the year at 12 oclock — From the first of the 9th to the first of the 10th Month, they are to breakfast at half past 7, and go into school at half past Eight which is to close at half past Eleven. The School to open in the Afternoon at 2 o clock, to close at half past 4, and the children to sup at 5, O Cock. — — — From the first of the 10th to the 10th of the 3d Month they are to breakfast at half past seven. Go into school at half past Eight & close at half past Eleven, Afternoon school to open at 2. close at 4 oclock and the Children to sup at Five, an evening school to open at Six and close at or before half past Seven. From the 10th of the 3d Month to the 10th of the fourth Month, to go to School & meals as in the 9 Month.

From the tenth of the 4th Month to the first of the 9th Month to go into School at 6 in the morning which is to close at or before half past Seven then breakfast, go to school again at 9 which is to close at half past Eleven the afternoon School to open at half past 2 & close at 5 O clock, the Children to sup at Six — — — — — — — — — — — —

Signed in behalf of the Committee at their Meeting at Somerset

11 Mo. 4. 1818. Samuel Rodman Clerk.

Rules of the
School —

Minutes

of

The yearly Meeting B.g School Comm.

6th. Month. 1818.

Extract from the Minutes of New England Yearly Meeting of friends held on Rhode Island by adjournments from the 14th of the 6th Mo: to the 17th of the same inclusive 1818—

"It appearing by the minutes of our Meeting for Sufferings now read that the house for the Yearly Meeting Boarding School is nearly completed and that the school may probably be opened before Winter. we therefore refer the care thereof to the meeting for Sufferings in conjunction with a school Committee which may be appointed by the Yearly Meeting of Women Friends: they to procure the necessary Superintendents and Instructors, and give notice to friends of our several Quarterly Meetings when the school will be ready for the admission of children, and in all respects to act in behalf of this Meeting in the establishment & regulation thereof, until our next Yearly Meeting."

Signed William Rotch Jr. Clk

Extract from the minutes of Rhode Island Yearly Meeting of Women Friends 6 Mo: 1818,

"Being informed from the mens Meeting that the Boarding School about to be established by this Meeting will probably be opened in the course of the present year; We appoint Hannah Chaffee. Sarah Howland. Mary Rice. Abigail Dame. Comfort Hoag. Lydia Fry. Betsy Purinton, Hannah Collins Eunice Collins. Rebecca Dean. Hannah Newhall Lydia Dean. Lois Philbrick. Dorcas Preston. Hannah Dennis. Mary Williams. Abigail Arnold. Mary A. Robinson. Dorcas Peckham. Ruth Rodman. Anna Almy Patience Earle. Mary R. Allen. Avis Keene. Abigail Reed. Alice Rathbone. Rhoda Howland. Ruth Davis. Mary Cart, Phebe Purinton. Susanna Freeman Phebe Hussey & Elizabeth Rodman to join a Committee from the mens Meeting in the care of the proposed Institution."—

Signed Mary Rotch Clerk.

In conformity to the duties enjoined by the foregoing Minutes, the Committee met at Portsmouth Friends Meeting house the 6th day of the 4th Mo: 1818. at the 8th hour in the morning and proceeded to the following appointments — Viz.

Saml. Rodman, Clerk, until another appointment. Moses Brown. Wm. Rotch Junr. Wm. Almy. Rowland Greene. Thomas Howland. Mary Williams Elizabeth Rodman. Mary A. Robinson & Mary B. Allen. to prepare Rules & Regulations for the government of the institution.

Obadiah Brown. Saml. Rodman. Abraham Sherman Junr. Dorcas Brown. Rhoda Howland and Anna Almy to obtain information of suitable characters to superintend the domestic concerns of the school and instructors therefor — to report at the adjournment.

Mary B. Allen. Dorcas Brown & Hannah Dennis to unite with the friends heretofore appointed by the Meeting for Sufferings: viz. Obadiah Brown, Thomas Howland, Sylvester Wickes, William Almy & Wm. Buffum in procuring furniture for the institution.

Adjourned to the 6th day of the 10th month at the 10th hour at Providence —

Providence 10 Mo: 6. 1818 —

Met by adjournment, present 15 men & 12 women. Adjourned to the 3rd hour this afternoon —

Afternoon — Met by adjournment — Adjourned to the 9th hour tomorrow morning —

10th Mo: 7th. Met by adjournment

The committee appointed to prepare Rules & Regulations for the government of the School presented the following, which being duly & deliberately considered are approved —

Rules

Rules and Regulations for the government of Friends Boarding School at Providence.

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All those employed in the house, either as domestics or caretakers are to regard the Superintendent as representing the acting Committee in its absence, and by a ready compliance with his directions, aid him in promoting the interest of the institution and carrying into effect the conclusions of the said Committee: And it is desired that the several branches of the family would studiously endeavor by a circumspect, kind attention to each other in their respective departments, to promote the prevalence of harmony & love —

And when liberty is granted to the scholars which the superintendent shall judge unsafe or improper, he is to speak privately with the tutors, aid them with his advice and judgment as occasion may require and use his influence to preserve their authority over the pupils as much as possible. —

The teachers of both sexes, shall instruct the pupils in such useful branches of learning as may be approved by the Committee; dine with the children, and one or more be present at their

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their meals and lodge in the same room with them: they shall note the government of them when in school and by rotation exercise a care over them when out; and attend them in their recreations.— They are to keep the boys & girls separate except at Meetings for worship or other religious opportunities: but brothers & sisters at the discretion of the Superintendent or tutors may be permitted to converse with each other at suitable seasons; care being exercised that those of one family only be allowed to be present at the same interview.—

Each scholar after having been three months or one term at school, may be allowed to go home on a visit, and the parents or guardians of such child should be careful that he return within the time limited by the superintendent: but no pupil shall be allowed to make a visit to his or her friends or relations, either in the neighbourhood of the school or at a greater distance oftener than once in three months, except on extraordinary occasions.—

Appropriation of time for the Childrens' meals and hours of study — Viz.

The scholars are to dine each day throughout the year at twelve o'clock.—

From the first of the ninth to the first of the tenth month they are to breakfast at half past seven and go into school at half past eight, which is to close at half past eleven — The school to open in the afternoon at two o'clock, to close at half past four and the children to sup at Five o'clock.

From the first of the tenth to the tenth of the third month, they are to breakfast at half past seven, go into school at half past Eight & close at half past Eleven. Afternoon school to open at two close at Four, o'clock, and the children to sup at Five — An evening school to open at Six o'clock, and close at or before half past Seven.

(From the tenth of the third month, to the tenth of the fourth month to go to school & meals as in the ninth month.

From the tenth of the fourth month to the first of the ninth month, to go into school at six in the morning which is to close at or before half past seven, then breakfast go to school again at nine which is to close at half past Eleven. the afternoon school to open at half past two and close at five oclock. the Children to sup at six.

Signed on behalf of the Committee at their meeting held at Somerset, the 11th. of the 4th. month. 1818.

Saml. Stedman Clerk.

It is the judgment of this Committee that no children be admitted younger than Eight years, except orphans or such as are under the care of monthly meetings or in some peculiar cases at the discretion of the acting committee. No males are to remain, or be received at the school after they attain the age of Fourteen years, without the liberty of said Committee.

The committee appointed at our last meeting to prepare Rules & Regulations for the government of the institution are united to the committee appointed at that time to obtain information of suitable characters to superintend the domestic concerns of the Schools and instructors thereof. And they are hereby authorized to agree with the friends that have been under consideration in this Committee, as superintendents, or to report others that in their judgment may be suitable, and to agree with Instructors for the school. Adjourned to the fourth of sixth month at the third hour in the afternoon, at Somerset.

Somerset 11th. Mo. 4. 1818. Met by adjournment, present 31 members. adjourned to half past 8 tomorrow morning.

11th: 5

11 Mo. 5th. Met by adjournment.

The Committee appointed to obtain information of suitable persons to superintend the domestic concerns of the School, report that they have conferred with Matthew & Lydia Purinton and that the conference resulted in their willingness to accept the charge thereof for the salary of three hundred dollars per Annum: the friends with the salary named being agreeable to this Committee they are accordingly appointed to the charge.

The same committee having also named several friends that in their opinion may be suitable for instructors in the institution, who so far as their characters & qualifications are known to this Comm. are believed to be eligible thereto; it is left to the discretion of said committee to agree with such of them or others as the terms of agreement may be mutually satisfactory. — Adjourned to the 2d day of next month at the 6th hour in the afternoon at New Bedford —

New Bedford 12th Mo. 2d. 1818.

Met by adjournment — present 17 members

From information received of the state of forwardness of the necessary furniture for the accommodation of the Boarding School and the probability from communicating with instructors therefor that suitable friends male & female can be procured at the time: it is concluded that it be opened for the reception of Scholars the First day of the First Month 1819. being the 6th of the week. —

The friends appointed at our meeting at Portsmouth for preparing Rules & Regulations & to obtain information of instructors, Viz. Moses Brown William Rotch Junr. William Almy, Rowland Greene Thomas Howland Saml. Rodman, Abm Sherman Junr. Mary Williams Elizabeth Rodman, Mary R. Robinson Mary Buffum Dorcas Brown Rhoda

Howland & Anna Almy are continued the acting committee until another appointment -

The following is agreed upon as the substance of a communication to the several Monthly Meetings: viz.

New Bedford 19 Mo. 2d. 1818

It is concluded that the Yearly Meeting Boarding School at Providence shall be opened to receive children the First day of the next year, 6th of the Week.

As the funds already raised for this institution have been nearly all applied in building & furnishing the house, the price for board, tuition, books and Stationary, washing & mending is at present fixed at One hundred dollars per annum. And it is expected that for each scholar Twenty-five dollars be paid in advance at the beginning of each quarter. Should this estimate prove higher than to meet the necessary expenses the price will be proportionably lowered -

No child can be admitted for a less term than one quarter, nor in any other than a plain dress -

Until a boarding house may be established in the neighborhood of the school, friends that accompany their children may be accommodated with board & lodging at a moderate expense, with the superintendents who are Matthew Purinton & wife -

It is concluded that no child under Eight years of age, except orphans or such as are under the care of Monthly Meetings, or in some special cases at the discretion of the acting committee shall be admitted; No boys are to remain or be received at the school after they attain the age of fourteen years without the liberty of said Committee.

All letters written to the children whilst at School if sent by mail, must have the postage paid, or it will be charged to them. - Which the Clerk is instructed to forward thereto in behalf of the Com-

mittee

The Committee having taken into consideration the distance of the school from the meeting in the town of Providence and the inconvenience thence resulting to the children particularly in the inclement season of the year in the attendance of that meeting; it is thought best that meetings be held at suitable times in the school house under the care of such of the Committee as may find it convenient from time to time to attend; and open to the attendance of other concerned friends.—

Adjourned to meet at Providence at half past 2 o'clock in the afternoon on the day of the Quarterly Select Meeting in the 2d month next.—

2d Month 3d 1819. Met at Providence according to adjournment. present 33 Members—

It has appear'd necessary from the experience derived since the opening of the School, that more circumspection than has in some instances been manifested, should be extended in the case of sending children conformable to the recommendation in the printed Circular of the 12th Mo. last. And to preserve the order requisite to carry the object of the Yearly Meeting into more complete effect; it is recommended that each Monthly Meeting appoint a few judicious friends to whom application may be made by parents or guardians of friends children desirous of being placed at the school and that the friends so appointed consider it their duty not only to enjoin that the children come in a plain dress & the use of the plain scripture language, but that they are of good habits; and that they give a few lines to that effect, for the information of the Superintendents & instructors at the School.—

The clerk is directed to send a copy of this minute to the several Monthly Meetings.—

The Visiting Committee inform that the School was opened on the first day of the year agreeably to the minute of our last meeting under the care of Thomas Howland, Benjamin Bowman, Deborah Hill, Dorcas Gardner & Mary Mitchell: several of whom have offered their services gratuitously — that the number of scholars is 24 males & 20 females — that the school appears to have been satisfactorily conducted, and that the family throughout are living harmoniously: Also that meetings for worship have been regularly held at the school house except the weeks of quarterly & monthly meetings at Providence, to the satisfaction of the friends that have attended —

Abigail Arnold & Thomas Robinson are appointed in addition to the acting Committee. —

Adjourned to meet at the school house the 5th day after the Quarterly meeting to be held at East Greenwich in the 5th month next at the 10th hour —

Providence 5th Mo. 7th. 1819. Met by adjournment present 23 members —

By the account presented by the Superintendent, Matthew Purinton it appears that the school increased during the first quarter ending 31st of 3d Mo: to 78 scholars — that the sum received therein exceeded the expenditures. — Adjourned to the 4th hour this Afternoon.

Met by adjournment. — It having never been strictly defined who should grant indulgencies to the children beyond the known limits for recreation; after consideration it is agreed that the Superintendents, or such of the acting committee as may be present shall be deemed the persons to grant the liberty of walking beyond the school-lot, correspondent with the concern manifested; and that all association or intercourse between other young men & the female scholars as well as the school-boys, be discouraged and prevented as far as may be —

The following report to be presented to our next Yearly Meeting was agreed to;

The School Committee report;

That in pursuance of the duties assigned them in the minutes of their appointment from the Yearly Meeting of Men & Women Friends of last year, they proceeded as soon as the nature of circumstances would admit to organize the institution entrusted to their care.

The school was opened for the reception of children at the commencement of the present year under the care of Matthew & Avis Purinton as Superintendents, and Thomas Howland principal teacher and Deborah Hill, Dorcas Gardner & Mary Mitchell as Instructors.

As the funds belonging to the institution had been applied in building and furnishing the house; it was deemed necessary for its support, to fix the price of Board & tuition including Books & stationary, Washing & mending at one hundred dollars a year; twenty-five dollars to be paid in advance at the commencement of each quarter. No child is admitted for a less term than one quarter or at less age than Eight years, except Orphans or such as are under the care of Monthly meetings, or in some special cases at the discretion of the acting committee, and no boys are to remain or be received after they attain the age of fourteen years without the liberty of said Committee.

The more fully to meet the views of the Yearly Meeting in the establishment of a place of guarded education the committee recommend to the Monthly Meetings to appoint a few judicious Friends to whom application should be made by parents or guardians of children intended for the school; and that the friends so appointed should consider it their duty not only to enjoin that the children come in a plain dress, and in the use of the plain Scripture language, but that they be of good habits which they were requested to certify to the Superintendents.

The committee having taken into consideration the distance of the school from the meeting in the town of Providence, and the inconvenience that would result to the children, particularly in the inclement season of the year from the attendance of that meeting, it was thought best that Meetings should be held at suitable times in the school-house, under the care of such of the Committee as might find it convenient to attend; and open for the attendance of other concerned friends. In consequence of which, meetings have been regularly held on the first & fourth days of the week (except the weeks of Quarterly & Monthly meetings at Providence) to the satisfaction of the friends that have attended.

The school has gradually increased from its commencement; At a meeting of the committee on the 3d of the 2d Mo: the number of children was 29 male & 26 female. At the conclusion of the first quarter the 31st of the 3d Mo: the whole number was 78. At the present time there are 40 males and 59 females.

The school appears to have been satisfactorily conducted, and the family throughout to be living harmoniously.

By the accounts of the Superintendent it appears that the sum received during the first quarter was equal to the expenditures.

The branches of learning at present taught are reading, writing, arithmetic, grammar and geography.

Signed on behalf and by direction of the Boarding School Committee, at a Meeting held at Providence 7th of 5th Mo: 1819.

Saml. Rodman
Dorcas Brown

Newport 6th Mo: 16th 1819, The meeting for Sufferings again constitute the same committee, by direction of the Yearly Meeting and the following names are a list of its members — Moses Brown, David Buffum, [illegible] Howland, [illegible] Thomas Howland, Wm Almy, [illegible] [illegible] Harris, [illegible] 2nd, Wm Buffum, [illegible] 16 Daniel Anthony, [illegible] [illegible] Allen, Benjamin Freeborn, James Shove, [illegible] Collins, Wm [illegible] [illegible] Thurston, [illegible] Rodman, Daniel Howland

Moses Farnum

[illegible] Farnum, Matthew Purinton, Richard Mitchell, James Smith, Moses Sleeper, Samuel F. Hussey, Cornelius Howland, Thomas Howland, Peleg Mitchell, Saml. Rodman, Obadiah Brown, John Wilbur, Wm. Dean, Jonathan Dennis, Royal Southwick, Enoch Collins, Moses Dow, Rowland Rathbun, Isaac Bassett Junr. David Johnson, Abraham Sherman Junr. Edward Cobb, John Baily, Samuel Philbrick and Josiah Metcalf.

And the names proposed by the Women's meeting for the same object are Elizabeth Rodman, Dorcas Brown, Susanna Purinton, Eunice Mitchell, Avis Keene, Mary Buffington, Lydia Breed, Rhoda Howland, Lydia Dean, Elizabeth Parker, Anna Robinson, Mary Dockray, Phebe Cobb, Ruth Rodman, Phebe Holden, Mary B. Allen, Letitia Anthony, Hannah Collins, Mary A. Robinson & Anna Almy.—

Copied from the Minutes of the Rhode Island Yearly Meeting of Women Friends, 6th mo: 1819,

Signed, Mary Rotch Clerk-

The committee met this evening & adjourned to the 8th hour to-morrow morning—

6th mo: 17th. 1819. Met by adjournment—

Moses Brown, Obadiah Brown, Walter Allen, William Almy, Sylvester Wicks, Rowland Greene, Thomas Howland, Wm. Rotch Junr. Saml. Rodman, Micajah Collins, Elizabeth Rodman, Mary B. Allen, Anna Almy, Dorcas Brown, Eunice Mitchell, Hannah Collins, Ruth Rodman, Lydia Dean, Mary A. Robinson & Phebe Holden are selected as an Acting Committee, to attend to the particular and general concerns of the institution, for the year ensuing who are desired to report their proceedings to this meeting from time to time as may seem to them necessary, and to apply thereto for any assistance that may be desirable to them; and to make way for this application they are considered at liberty to call for special meetings of this committee, seven members thereof uniting therein, and the same members of this Committee may call a meeting by application to the clerk, when they think it necessary.—

Adjourned to 6th day, 5th of the 11th month, at the school house at Providence at the 3d hour in the afternoon.

It is concluded that the meetings of the committee now selected be at Providence on the 6th day following the quarterly meetings of Rhode Island at the 3d hour in the afternoon.—

At a meeting of the school Committee held by adjournment at Providence the 5th of the 11 mo: 1819, present 23 members—

The Committee consider that an acknowledgement of the services that have been rendered by several of the female instructors at this institution, is due to them with an expression of the satisfaction with which we have viewed their attention & conduct in the departments they have filled, particularly Dorcas Gardner & Mary Mitchell of Nantucket, who have devoted about ten months of their time gratuitously for its benefit, and the improvement of the children that have been placed herein; as well as Deborah Rider who has in like manner given three months for the same objects.— This minute is dictated as a memorial hereof.— And Benjamin Rodman who has gratuitously attended the school from its opening to the last of the 7th mo., being called to attend to his own concerns; it became necessary to procure other assistance, and Stephen A. Chase of Salem having been previously written to, and given encouragement that in two or three months he might be at liberty to make one of the family as a teacher if desired — he was answered that the prospect he afforded of assistance met the approbation of this Committee. And in the mean time, Clothier Gifford who had been treated with was engaged as a teacher—

As the services of our friend Benjamin Rodman have been highly useful and satisfactory during his continuance in the school, not only as a teacher, but having preserved the government and affection of the children and the respect & esteem of the Family & this Committee: the same is noticed on record as a testimony thereof; and for the encouragement of others to follow his useful dedication and example.—

Deborah Hill having left to the discretion of the committee, the remuneration she is entitled to for the remaining three quarters of the year; it is agreed that it be fixed at 40 dollars a quarter—

In reconsidering the terms upon which the agreement was made with the superintendents for the current year and considering that their services have been more arduous than was contemplated from the enlarged number of scholars soon after the opening of the school, it is concluded to augment their salary by the addition of 75 dollars.—

It is concluded that Eunice Jones, who has been in the school since the time of our Yearly Meeting in the mixed character of Instructor & scholar, is entitled to One dollar ℘ week for 15 weeks & two dollars ℘ week for 4 weeks, the time since Dorcas & Ellen went away.

Our friend Thomas Howland, who has acted as principal instructor in the institution from its first opening, without any express provision for his services, until the present time, it is agreed, shall receive $275 ℘ annum as a compensation for the current year.—

The superintendents expressing doubts whether it may fully comport with their prospects to make a fixed agreement for the time of their continuance; it is agreed with them, that for the time they continue after the commencement of the next year they are to receive at the rate of $400 ℘ annum; and if they conclude to leave the institution, they are to give the Committee two months notice to procure others to fill their places.

Adjourned to the sixth day of the week succeeding the Quarterly Meeting to be held at Providence in the 2d Mo. next, at the 10th hour in the morning.—

At a Meeting of the Boarding School Commit^e held at the School House the 4th of the 2^d M^o 1820 - Present 26 Members —

It is concluded that it is proper to make an annual Charge of $1000 Dollars for the Rent of the Boarding School House, and also that $600 Dollars of that Rent be in future appropriated for the Instruction and Board of such poor Children as the Committee may fix upon; that being considered adequate to the Income of the old School Fund; the Interest of which was appropriated to that object: —

And it appearing on consulting with Stephen A Chase, that he will be satisfied with $275 Dollars p^r annum, for his services to the close of the first year of the School —

The Superintendant having presented his Accounts for the first Year: It thereby appears that for Tuition and Board he has rec^d $7380. 87 Cents, and that he has Expended for Family expenses

Salaries, Stationary Books &c.	$6039„ 33 Cents
Towards improving the Lot, digging Well &c.	1129„ 13
And has remaing on hand	212„ 51
	$7380„ 87

An Inventory was also presented from the acting Committee including the personal property in the house & about the premises, Amounting to $3616.59 which includes provisions on hand at the end of the year 3 cows 1 horse chaise & waggon, amounting to about $450. —

Almy & Brown's accounts for the last year were also presented. Thomas Arnold & Walter Allen are appointed to examine the same & report the ballance that is due to them at the next meeting. —

Since our last meeting Abigail Pierce has been engaged as principal instructress at a salary of $200. —

The School having been considerably less the present winter than part of the last year, now consisting of about 73 children and other circumstances inclining the Committee to think some of the salaries now given are too high on consulting with Matthew & Betsey Purinton they were willing to submit the same to us. - We therefore conclude that in future their Salary be again put at $300 dollars per annum

from this time to the end of the present year: — And after consulting with Thomas Howland, it is concluded that from this time his salary be $60 dollars per Quarter the remaining part of the year. —
The same is also agreed to be the salary of Stephen A. Chas

It being apprehended that usefulness will arise from the exercise of more care in the inspection of letters to or from the scholars — It is now concluded that the — superintendant be at liberty to open and examine all letters that he may judge proper coming to the children from any others than their parents or guardians, and also that all letters written by them be shewn either to the superintendants or instructors that they may be properly corrected if necessary. —

We adjourn to the 10th hour on sixth day morning after R: Island Quarterly Meeting in the fifth month.

At a Meeting of the Committee held the 5th day of the 5th Mo: 1820. — present 12 Members —

The acting Committee report that the school has been satisfactorily conducted. The number of scholars varying from the applications and removals at the quarterly terms has averaged to the 1st of the last month about Seventy males & females — That the family appear to live harmoniously together and that the meetings for worship have been regularly held, as they were last year, to the satisfaction of the members of the Committee that have attended them —

The committee appointed at our last Meeting to examine the accounts of Almy & Brown, report, that to the 2d of 2d month last there was due to them One thousand & Eighty four $\frac{86}{100}$ dollars, and that there remained in their hands, of their annual subscription of $1500; Nine hundred & twenty one dollars for the year ending with the 12th Mo: last — as reference to the accounts on file, denominated Yearly Meeting Boarding School with Almy & Brow and "the annual subscription to Boarding School with Almy & Brown" — will more clearly shew—

The following report to the Yearly Meeting to be held in the 6th Mo. next, was agreed upon—

The Boarding School Committee report, that since their appointment by the Yearly Meeting in the 6th Mo. last, they have given such attention to the concerns of the Institution as its circumstances seemed to require:—

The school is continued under the care of Matthew & Betsy Purinton as Superintendents, and Thomas Howland, Stephen A. Chase and Abigail Peirce as Instructors. The average number of children at the Institution for the year past has been about Seventy.—

Meetings for Worship have been continued, we trust with usefulness—

The concerns of the family and school have been satisfactorily conducted by the Superintendents and Teachers, and the improvement made by the children has generally been such as to afford encouragement to the Committee.

By the accounts of the Superintendents, it appears that the expenses of the family have been defrayed by the receipts for board & tuition: But there still remains due to the Building and furnishing committee the sum of One thousand & Eighty four dollars and Eighty six cents—

The old school fund has been so arranged, that the sum of Six hundred dollars per annum will be appropriated to the schooling of poor children of the Society agreeably to the original intention of the donor— A further sum is also at the disposal of the Committee arising from subscriptions in the year 1816, creating a fund of which Ten children have already had the benefit at the Institution; and which including the above sum of $600— will enable the Committee to admit one child from each Monthly Meeting during six months of the ensuing year.

Signed on behalf of the Committee
Saml. Rodman
Dorcas Brown

At a Meeting of the School Committee held at Newport the 15th of the 6 Mo. 1820.

Samuel Rodman is appointed clerk & Arnold Congdon assistant, for the year ensuing.

By an appointment of the late yearly meeting the Committee consists of the following persons viz Moses Brown, Wm. Rotch Jun. Samuel Rodman Rowland Greene Wm. Almy Sylvester Hicks, Obadiah Brown, Benj. Freeborn, Paul Tabor, Cornelius Howland Micajah Collins, Rowland Rathbone, John Osborne Ezra Collins, Abraham Shearman Jr. Effingham L. Capron, Moses Tucker John Brown, Walter Allen Royal Southwick, James Hoag, Saml. F. Hussey Edward Cobb, Jonathan Dennis, Elijah Chase John Wilbur, Arnold Congdon David Buffum Jun. William Buffum Jr. Abraham Wilkinson, Enoch Breed Stephen Jenks, Stephen Gould, Thomas Fry Silas Earle Moses Farnum Isaac Bassett Jr. Benjamin Mott & Daniel Clapp — with a number of Women friends whose names will be entered upon receiving the minute of their appointment. —

Abraham Wilkinson Rowland Greene, Moses Brown Obadiah Brown Saml. Rodman, Sylvester Hicks Wm. Almy, Wm. Rotch Jun. Walter Allen, Benj. Freeborn, Jon. Dennis, Abm. Shearman Jun. Stephen Gould David Buffum Jun. Arnold Congdon & Micajah Collins And Abigail Arnold, Dorcas Brown Elizabeth Rodman Mary B. Allen Mary Wilkinson Susanna Freeborn, Ruth Rodman Elizabeth Congdon Dorcas Anthony, Lydia Hicks Phebe Holden and Hannah Collins are selected as an acting Committee to attend to the particular & general concerns of the Institution for the year ensuing, who are desired to report their proceedings to this Meeting from time to time as may seem to them necessary, and to apply here to for any assistance that may be desirable to them, and to make way for this application, they are considered at liberty to call for special meetings of this Committee, seven members thereof uniting therein & the same number of this Committee may call a meeting by application to the Clerk, when they think it necessary correspondent to the minute of last year upon a similar occasion.

The Comm^e upon reviewing the Minute of 12 mo. 2^d. 1818. whereby the price of board & tuition &c of the scholars was fixed at $100. ℘ Ann: for the reasons assigned, and an encouragement given that the price would be proportionably lessened, when the situation of the Institution would admit thereof: now consider that the school may be rendered more beneficial to society by a reduction of price & with this view it is concluded to fix it at $20 ℘ Quarter for the children & connexions of friends of our Yearly Meeting, to take effect at the beginning of next month: That the children not belonging to this Yearly Meeting are still to pay at the former rate of $25 ℘ quarter, each quarter, as heretofore to be paid in advance. The clerk is desired to forward this information to the several Monthly Meetings belonging to the Yearly Meeting.

It is concluded that the Meetings of the Committee now selected be at the school house on the 6th day following the Quarterly Meetings of Rhode Isl and — the 2 first M^gs in the 2^d. & 5 mo. at the 10th hour & the 8th & 11th mo at 2 O'c.

At a Meeting of the School Committee held the 4th of 8th m^o. 1820. present 18 members

The sitting has been occupied in the consideration of divers subjects relating to the welfare of the school and in imparting to the Scholars such caution and counsel as appeared necessary.

adjourned to the day following Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting in the 11th m^o at the 2 hour afternoon.

At a Meeting of the School Committee held the 3d of the 11th Mo. 1820.

Present 20 Members

Spent this ſitting in hearing the observations of the select Committee and other members upon the concerns of the institution & adjourned to the 9th hour tomorrow

4th of 11th Mo. Met by adjournment.

Occupied this forenoon in examining the performances of the scholars in each department, made such observations as the occasion required, and were satisfied with the improvement made by them, as well as the care and attention of the teachers, demonstrated by the orderly behaviour of their pupils.

At a Meeting of the boarding School Committee held the 2d of 2d Mo. 1821. present 30 members.

The ſuperintendant presented his Acct. by which it appears that he has recd. for the board & tuition of Scholars & for the board of visitors &c. during the year ending 12 mo. 31. 1820, $5327.77 cts. and that he has expended during that time $5134.97 cts. he has also recd. the Annuities of Wm. Almy & Obadiah Brown for 1819 & 1820. amounting to $2000. & has paid Almy & Brown for advances made by them not included in their account for building & furnishing the School house $1689.55 cts, he has also paid them on their Acct. for building & furnishing the School house $365.86. and has remaining in his hands Nineteen hundred & five dollars, 31 cents.

The ſuperintendant is requested to pay to the Treasurer of the Yearly Meeting School fund so much of the money in his hands, as he has not a proſpect of immediate use for, and take his receipt therefor.

Obadiah Brown, Jno. Osborne & William Buffum Jr. are appointed to examine the Acct. books of the Superintendant and report to our next Meeting.

It is concluded that the Salary of Mathew &

Betsey Purinton continue to be Three hundred dollars, the ſame as last Year, likewise Thomas Howland: viz Two hundre & forty dollars. & that Stephen A. Chace be allowed three hundre dollars for the present year commencing the 1st of 1 mo. last.

The compensation for the services of Lydia Purinton who has been for some time past employed as an assistant in the girls school is left with the acting committee to adjust.

At a Meeting of the boarding School Committee held the 4th of 5th Mo. 1821.

Present 21 Members.

The Treasurer of the School fund acknowledges the receipt of one thousand dollars from the superintendent, paid him in conformity to a minute of our last meeting. He also acknowledges the receipt of Ninety three dollars on account of a bequest to this institution made by the Will of Thomas Folsom deceased.

A member of the acting Committee reports that the compensation for the services of Lydia Purinton have been agreed upon at one dollar & fifty cents per Week.

The Committee appointed to examine the accounts & books of the Superintendent make the following report. viz

We your committee appointed to audit the Superintendents Accounts for the year 1820. report that we have examined the foregoing general account as made out by Arnold Congdon, compared the same with the superintendents books and find it to agree therewith making a balance in his hands as above stated. 5th mo. 4th 1821.

Obadiah Brown
John Osborne.

The account to which the report is confined is expreſsed with its respective items in the minute of their appointment resulting in the balance of $1905.31. — $1000. of which has been paid to the Treasurer as mentioned in a foregoing minute.

The following report was recd.

The acting committee report that the School has been continued the year past with from about 50 to 104 scholars averaging about 75. with but little difference as to the number of the sexes varying some time more of one and then of the other sex. The Meetings have been all attended according to the direction. The family preserved in harmony and save one afflicting case of sickness and death & one other drowned the family has been generally healthy and we believe the Institution has been useful.

30th of 4mo. 1821. In behalf of the Committee
Moses Brown.

Adjourned to half past two this afternoon.

Afternoon met by adjournment.

The following report to the Yearly Meeting was approved.

The Boarding School Committee report, that the school is still continued under the care of Matthew & Betsey Purinton, as Superintendents, and Thomas Howland, Steph A. Chace and Abigail Peirce as Instructors. The number of Children at the Institution for the past Year has averaged about twenty five for the whole Year. Meetings for worship have been continued, as previously established. The family has been preserved in harmony, and the concerns of the institution generally so conducted, as to afford continued promise of usefulness.

By the accounts of the Superintendent, it appears that the expences of the family have been paid by the receipts for board and tuition, and that the Institution is now free from debt.

Most of the Monthly Meetings have availed themselves of the priviledge given last year of sending one child to the Institution for the space of six months and such as have not availed themselves of it viz Seabrook, Sandwich N.H. Windham, Sidney and Harlem Monthly Meetings are now considered at liberty to send one child, each twelve months provided they conclude to do so within six months from this date; and such Monthly Meetings as have availed themselves of the priviledge have the liberty of sending a Child each six months of the ensuing year, or if prefered by any Monthly Meetings they may send two Children three months each.

The Committee, having noticed with concern, that as respects plainness of dress, their recommendations in minutes forwarded to the different monthly Meetings have not in divers instances, been attended to, think that usefulneſs may result from bringing their minute of 2d mo. 1819. before the yearly Meeting, that it may be forwarded to the monthly Meetings under its sanction.

Signed on behalf of the Committee
By — Saml. Rodman }
Dorcas Brown }

At a Meeting of the School Committee held at Newport the 14th of 6th mo. 1821.

Samuel Rodman is appointed Clerk, and Arnold Congdon, Aſsistant for the year ensuing.

The late Yearly Meeting have appointed the friends that composed the committee last to act in that capacity the present year with the exception of Susanna Freeborn, deceased, and the addition of Hannah Dennis, Sarah Greene, Elizabeth Reynolds & Mary G. Anthony. Present at this time 33 members.

Moses Brown, Sylvester Wickes, Samuel Rodman Wm. Almy Benjamin Freeborn, Obadiah Brown, Rowland Greene, Micajah Collins, Abm. Shearman Jr. Walter Allen, Arnold Congdon, Wm. Rotch Jr. John Wilbur, Wm. Buffum Jr. Stephen Gould David Buffum Jr. John Osborne, Abm. Wilkenson, Cornelius Howland, Rowland Rathbun Jonathan Dennis, Abijah Chace, Mary B. Allen Abigail Arnold, Dorcas Brown, Elizabeth Rodman, Mary A. Robinson, Avis Keene, Ruth Rodman, Elizabeth Congdon Dorcas Anthony, Lydia Wickes, Phebe Holden, Hannah Collins Anna Almy, Mary G. Anthony Elizabeth Reynolds Sarah Greene & Hannah Dennis. are selected as an acting Committee to attend to the particular and general concerns of the institution for the year ensuing, who are desired to report their proceedings to this Meeting from time to time as may appear to them neceſsary and to apply here to for any aſsistance that may be desireable to them; and to make way for this application they are considered at liberty to call for special meetings of this committee, seven members uniting therein, and the same number of this committee may call a meeting by application to the Clerk when they may think it neceſsary, correspondent to the minutes of 1819 & 1820.

From an observation made in the Yearly Meeting it is concluded, that the five Monthly Meetings mentioned in the report thereto who have the privelege to send a child each for twelve months, be at liberty if it should be the choice of those Meetings, to send each of them two Children Six months.

It is concluded that the meetings of this Committee be held at the same times of the year and on similar hours as they were held last year viz. at the School house on the 6th day following the Quarterly Meetings of Rhode Island — the Quarterly Meeting in the 2d & 5th month at the 10th hour & the 8th & 11th months at the 2d hour. That the sub committee meet monthly at the School house at the 10th hour in the morning on the 3d day of the Week after the last 5th day in each month. And that the Annual Meeting of the School Committee be considered to be on the day following the close of the Yearly Meeting at the 8th hour in the morning, until another time may be thought more convenient.

The Clerk is desired to have such of the foregoing minutes, as are necessary for the information of the Monthly Meetings annexed to the communications that the Clerk of the Yearly Meeting will forward thereto, from that meeting.

At a Meeting of the School Committee held the 3d of 5th mo. 1821. Present 14 members

The sitting has been occupied in the considera-tion of divers subjects brought before them by the acting committee, relating to the welfare of the School & adjourned to the 8th hour tomorrow morning.

4th day met by adjournment.

Proceeded to visit the Schools, and heard and examined the Scholars in several of the branches of learning and were satisfied with their performances generally, particularly in Girls School. There were some deficiencies apparent in the Boys School, for the removal of which, the earnest endeavours of those who have the care of it appeared to be called for.

At a Meeting of the School Committee held the 2d of 11th Mo. 1821. present 22 Members.

Thomas Howland and Stephen A. Chace who have, for a considerable time past been employed as instructors in the School, having been under the necessity of leaving the School on Account of ill health since our last meeting, their places have been supplied by Thomas Wilbur and Isaiah Jones, the former is to receive for his services Sixty dollars per Quarter, and the latter forty five dollars per Quarter.

As it is probable the boys School will enlarge from the present number of Scholars, and as it may be necessary to employ another Teacher before our next meeting, the Acting Committee are desired to extend their care in the case; that the School may be furnished with properly qualified instructors.

William Almy, John Osborn and Arnold Congdon are appointed to examine the ~~[illegible]~~ Superintendants Accounts at the conclusion of the present year, and report the state of them to our next meeting.

At a Meeting of the School Committee held the 8th of 2d Month 1822. Present 36 Members

The Acting Committee made the following report

The Acting Committee report that they have visited the School monthly since the last report & that several of the Committee have been at the School more frequently, that meetings have been kept up according to direction, & that a good degree of harmony has prevailed between the Superintendents, Teachers & family generally. The average number of Scholars in the last quarter has been 80. They propose to the consideration of the general Committee, the erection of a building for the Scholars to exercise in out of School hours.

which is accepted and the suggestion therein of erecting a building or buildings for the Scholars to exercise in being considered and approved; It is concluded to leave it to the Acting Committee to effect the same according to their judgment of size and Materials, and report the expense when accomplished

The Superintendents having been conversed with upon their further continuance. It is understood that they will serve the institution at the rate of $300 per year. And in case of their conclusion to leave it before the expiration of the year commencing from the first day of the first month last, that they are to give a space of Six months notice for provision to be made ~~to be made~~ to supply their places.

The Acting Committee are requested to give seasonable attention to supplying the place of Thomas Wilbur who is expected to decline being an instructor after the expiration of the 4th month next.

The friends appointed at our last Meeting to examine the Superintendants Account, presented his Account to which is annexed the following report. vizt.

The Committee appointed to examine the Superintendants Acct. report, that they have performed that service & found a balance in his hands the 31st of 12th month last of $297.35 cents as per Statement Annexed.

They further report that the expence to Schooling Children sent by the Monthly Meetings for the two years past & since according to the specifications which has been made will Amount to $2952.22

The Amt of Annuities recd. to pay the above
say from Wm. Almy 1820.1821. 500 dolls each year 1000-
from O. Brown 1820.1821. 1000 dolls do. 2000 3000.
leaving a balance unappropriated of . . . 47.78.
Providence 2d of 2d mo. 1822.

Signed on behalf of the Committee
Arnold Congdon.

The Treasurer of the School fund also presented his Accounts made up to the 2d Inst. by which it appears there is in his care on interest a fund belonging to the Institution of $4473.

It appearing by the Treasurer Accounts rendered that there is in his care a fund belonging to this institution of four thousand four hundred & Seventy three dollars in Securities on interest, which sum being made up partly by money that was due and receivable on the old fund, part from Money received for subscriptions of modern date, partly from the Annuities of William Almy, Moses & Obadiah Brown, and partly from what has been paid by Benjamin Folsome of the residuary legacy given this institution by the last Will and testament of his brother Thomas Folsome deceased. This being the case it appears unnecessary any longer to keep up the distinction between the new and old fund as seems to have been contemplated by the minute of the 4th of 2d Mo. 1820. But that in future the fund now in the Treasurers hand, as mentioned, be considered for the general benefit of this institution, to be applied for the improvement thereof, and for the education of such children of friends whose parents are unable to pay for their tuition or such as the Committee may judge most useful and proper, as well as for keeping the building in repair, erecting others when necessary and fencing and improving the lot of ground belonging to the institution.

At a Meeting of the School Committee held the 3d of the 5th Mo. 1822. Present 17. members.

The religious education of the youth in our Society hath been from time to time, a subject of much concern when assembled in this capacity, and it appears that the same subject hath engaged the attention of friends of the Yearly Meeting in London which led them to address an affectionate epistle to their subordinate Meetings. That Epistle having been introduced to our consideration it is concluded to reprint it, in order that the salutary advice contained therein, may be generally diffused among our members.

Obadiah Brown and Arnold Congdon are appointed to have 2500. of the Epistle mentioned above printed, and a sufficient number forwarded to the Quarterly meetings for each family to have a copy. and report the expense to our next meeting.

The Acting Committee made the following report. viz.

The Sub Committee report, That on considering the importance of preserving the antient testimony of our Society in regard to plainness of dress as well as language, it was concluded to recommend to the general Committee to unite in some more explicit conclusion for the encouragement and support of the Superintendents in examining the clothes of the Scholars, both male and female, when they first enter the School; and if any part is thought unsuitable, that they be authorised and encouraged to lay aside such, and that their Parents or Guardians be requested to provide others in their room, or have them altered at their expense, and that due attention to this article be paid by the Superintendents and that they be assured of the support of the Committee therein.

We may inform the Committee that in the 3d month, on considering a supply of Teachers when Thomas Wilbur leaves the School, it was concluded to employ Isaiah Jones as principal, and he agrees to make tryal on the same terms Thomas Wilbur has viz Sixty dollars per Quarter, or 240 dollars a Year. And it was also agreed to employ Samuel B. Tobey as an assistant Teacher, and altho' no explicit agreement was made with him, he being then absent, yet it is expected his terms will be fifteen dollars per Quarter the same that Isaiah has had in the same station.

The Schools have been kept up, and in as good order and progressive improvement as at any time heretofore, and have been favoured with as much health as at any time, and the family preserved in harmony. Meetings for Worship have been regularly kept up on 4th days, and twice on first days, except one monthly meeting day when the family so generally attended, tho' at Smithfield, as to make it appear best not to meet at the School house.

which is submitted by Moses Brown
in behalf of the Committee

which is accepted, and the recommendation contained therein respecting plainness being considered, it is concluded to adopt it as a rule for the government of the School, and the Superintendents are desired to extend the necessary care accordingly.

Samuel B. Tobey upon being consulted with respecting the compensation for his services in the School, agrees to serve for forty five dollars per Quarter, and if he should incline to leave before the expiration of one Year, is to give three months notice.

The following report to the Yearly Meeting was approved, viz

The Boarding School Committee report, that they have continued their care in the concerns of that institution, which have been so conducted as to meet their approbation. Matthew & Betsy Purinton still exercise the care of Superintendents, and Isaiah Jones, Samuel B. Tobey, Abigail Pearce and Sarah Lockwood are employed as instructors. Thomas Wilbur has been usefully employed a part of the past year, in the same station. The improvement made by the children committed to their care has been such as to afford us encouragement. Meetings have been kept up as at first established, and they are generally attended by some of the Committee. The Superintendents, teachers and other members of the family appear to live in harmony; and a greater degree of health has been witnessed than in any previous year. The average number of Scholars has been about seventy-five. The receipts for board and tuition continue to meet the expenditures. The situation of the funds is such as to enable the Committee again to admit one Scholar from each Monthly Meeting six months, or two Scholars three months each free of expense. They feel it incumbent upon them to suggest to Monthly Meetings, that judicious selections in these cases are of importance; it having been found by experience that such as have had some opportunities for previous improvement, have not only made greater proficiency than where it has been otherwise, but such upon their return home have been usefully employed, as instructors in smaller schools; thereby rendering the institution more extensively beneficial.

Signed on behalf of the Committee.

Providence 5th mo. 3d. 1822.

Abraham Shearman, jun

Mary B. Allen.

At a Meeting of the School Committee held the 2d of 8th mo. 1822. present 12 members.

Arnold Congdon is appointed Clerk untill the 6th month next.

The time of this Meeting has been principally occupied in visiting the Schools. The orderly demeanour of the Scholars, and the progress made in their improvement, witnessed at this time, have been satisfactory and encouraging to the Committee, as well as creditable to their instructors.

(Omitted in its place) At an Annual Meeting of the School Committee held at Newport, 20th of 6th mo. 1822

Abraham Shearman Jr is appointed Clerk for this time.

The Yearly Meeting has appointed the Friends who constituted the Committee for last Year, again to act in that capacity, with the exception of Samuel Rodman and Elizabeth Rodman, who declined a re appointment, and Lydia Wickes and Lydia Dean, deceased; and the addition of Susan Howland, Alice Rathbun and Deborah Otis.

The Friends who were named last Year as an acting Committee, are continued in that appointment for the year ensuing with the exception of Samuel & Elizabeth Rodman, not at present members of the Committee, and the addition of Alice Rathbun Susan Howland and Deborah Otis – and are requested to extend their care to the objects committed to them, agreeable to the former minute.

It is concluded that the Meetings of the general and ſub Committees be held the ſame as last Year. And that the next annual meeting of this Committee be held either on the afternoon of the day on which the Yearly Meeting closes or the morning succeeding, as circumstances may render most convenient at the time.

At a Meeting of the School Committee held the 8th of 11th mo. 1822. Present 22 members.

The subject of equalizing the expense attending sending children to this School from a short or a greater distance being mentioned, Rowland Greene, John Osborne & William Almy are appointed to take the subject into consideration and report to our next Meeting the result of their deliberations.

William Almy, John Osborne & Arnold Congdon are appointed to examine the Superintendents Accounts at the conclusion of the present year and report to our next Meeting.

At a Meeting of the School Committee held the 7th of 2nd Month 1823. Present 26 Members.

The Committee appointed to examine the Superintendants Accts. Presented a statement thereof to which was annexed the following report viz.

Agreeably to appointment we have examined the Superintendent's Account and found a balance in his hands of five hundred eighteen dollars as per Statement annexed.

Providence 28th of 1st mo. 1823. Signed on behalf of the Committee
Arnold Congdon.

The Committee on the subject of equalizing the expense attending sending children to this school made the following report viz.

The Committee appointed on the subject of equalizing the expense of sending children to this institution Report, that they have considered the subject with due attention, and are of opinion that an allowance to friends of the three lower quarters, of a certain part of the expense they must necessarily be at in sending their Children to this School, will render the institution more extensively beneficial to Society at large. That its effect will be to increase the number of Scholars from the remote parts of the Yearly Meeting, and will also have a tendency (from evincing the liberal and equalizing principles on which the General Committee are desirous to conduct the institution,) to unite the most remote parts in an active co-operation to promote its welfare and success.

It will be seen that the Committee have included within the operation of this rule, only Dover, Falmouth & Scarborough Quarters; it was difficult to decide satisfactorily where to draw the line; but it appeared to them least objectionable as they have done it. They are not however tenacious of their own views on this point, but submit it to the General Committee. And in order to form a judgment of the quantum of allowance to be made, we have made some enquiry into the actual expense incurred by those who have sent Children here from the Eastward, the result of which induces us to propose an allowance of eight cents per mile, for each Scholar, from his residence to this place, provided they remain six months or upwards at the School.

Providence 2d mo. 7, 1823.

(Signed) William Almy.
John Osborne
Rowland Greene.

which is accepted and approved & the Clerk is directed to furnish those Quarterly Meetings with a copy of the Committee's report & of this minute for the information of Friends.

It is concluded for the Superintendent to procure twenty four leather buckets, to be used by the family in case of fire.

The Superintendents upon being consulted respecting their continuing to take charge of this institution, inform that it will not comport with their prospects to give encouragement of continuing in that capacity longer than the Sixth month next or to later period than their places can be satisfactorily supplied. Until which time they will expect to receive at the rate of $300 per. Ann. for their services. The subject is referred to the care of the acting Committee.

The teachers now employed in the institution conclude to continue for the ensuing year: it is agreed that Isaiah Jones be allowed $260. per. Ann. Samuel B. Tobey $210. per. Ann. Abigail Pierce $200. per. Ann. Sarah Lockwood $1.75 cents per week for their services respectively.

At a meeting of the School Committee held the 2d of 5th Mo. 1823. Present 18 Members.

The Treasurer of this Institution presented the following paragraph of Thomas Folsom's Will dated 31st of 3rd Month 1820. as presented him by Benjamin Folsom the Executor. viz.

"The remainder of my money which I may have in hand or at Interest at my decease after paying all my just debts funeral charges and cost of settling my estate, I will and order to be paid to any person or persons duly authorised to receive the same for the encouragement and support of the Rhode Island Yearly Meeting School Institution at Providence".

Rowland Greene, executor to the last Will and Testament of our late friend Sylvester Wickes deceased presented the following article as extracted from his Will viz.

"I give to the Yearly Meeting of the people called Quakers of New England my farm in Pomfret that I bought of Clarke & Nightingale, the neat income of which to be appropriated in aid of the charitable fund of the boarding School established by friends in Providence, to them, the ſaid People called Quakers, and to their succeſsors in the ſame faith forever".

Moses Brown and William Almy, Executors to the last Will & testament of our late friend Obadiah Brown, deceased, presented the following Articles as extracted from his Will, viz. Item 4th. "I give to my honoured father Moses Brown as treasurer of the Yearly Meeting of friends School fund or to his successor that may hereafter be appointed by the Meeting for sufferings in the capacity of said School Committee, an annuity of Three Thousand dollars, and hereby authorise and direct my Executors to pay the ſame in one Year after my decease to the said Treasurer for the time being whether the school be in operation or not, that the ſame be a part of the fund of said institution to be applied for the purpose of procuring an establishment in land, buildings and furnishing the neceſsary accommodations, paying the salaries of instructors and aſsistants and also the board of the scholars and families of the institution (nearly similar to friends boarding school of the Yearly Meeting of New York at Nine partners or at Weston in Pennsylvania) with such others as may be thought best to be admitted, may receive a religious guarded education free from the contaminating influence of the vain fashionable world which leads young minds from the simplicity of the truth and that meek and quiet spirit exhibited by our blessed Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ whom we profeſs to follow.

5th Item. "I also give after the decease of my wife Dorcas Brown the annuity of three thousand dollars more to the aforesaid institution, making up the sum of Six thousand dollars to be paid by my executors in one Year after the decease of my Wife, and Annually afterwards to the Treasurer of the said school fund for the time being for the purpose of supporting and perpetuating the institution as aforesaid."

He in another Item says. "I give all my books and maps to the Yearly meeting School after the decease of my Wife, or when the school shall be got under way; provided she is consenting thereto, how soon soever the school may be in operation".

This Will was made in 1814 before the establishment of the present School, he therefore in a codicil made on the 14th day of the 10th mo. 1822, the afternoon before his decease which was about half after 12 O'Clock at Night or the 15th in the Morning, made the following paragraph viz. "I hereby confirm the legacy given in my will for the Yearly Meeting School, which was not then located, but now under succeſsful operation on the lot given by my Father for that purpose, to the institution there established to be and remain for the use of said establishment forever."

Moses Brown one of the Executors to the last Will of Lydia Tillinghast likewise presented the following as an item contain'd in her will vizt.

Item 4th. "I give to my friends Moses Brown, William Almy and Obadiah Brown, as Feoffees in trust, to be held as a fund for the use of the Yearly Meeting of Friends for New England, One thousand dollars, the interest or income of which to be applied by the ſaid Meeting or their Committee for the education of the Children of poor friends belonging to ſaid Meeting, in their boarding School in this town of Providence forever".

The Sub-Committee submitted the following report vizt.

"The Sub Committee report,

That the Schools have been kept up and also the Meetings for Worship therein since last report, and as far as appears in an acceptable manner. The scholars have been generally orderly, and their improvement in learning generally satisfactory. The number of scholars for the last quarter has been on an average about 45 males and 48 females. The obstruction by the snow storm prevented the aſſembling of the Committee at the last Monthly Meeting excepting two. The School last fall and fore part of winter was visited with considerable sickneſs but all were mercifully favoured to be restored.

The subject refered to this committee by the general Committee in the 2^d month last, has had the attention of the few of the Committee that have ſince attended but finding the Superintendents have it not specially in view to leave the Institution, if Friends of the Committee are generally satisfied with their services; the few of the Committee that have attended have seen no better way to dispose of the subject than to leave it to the further consideration of the general Committee and the Superintendents. The house for the exercising of the boys in cold or rainy weather, is finished, the cost of which is about 370 dollars. Moses Brown, in behalf of the Com^e.

29th of 4th M^o. 1823."

which is accepted and a renewed conference being had with the Superintendents on account of the information received from them at our last meeting. They appeared willing to remain in that capacity until the conclusion of the year, which is satisfactory to the Committee.

The following report to the Yearly Meeting was approved vizt.

The Yearly Meeting boarding School Committee report,

That the School is under the government of the same Superintendents and teachers as at the time of our last report. The average number of Scholars has been about 70. Their general conduct and improvement in learning, have been such, as to be satisfactory and encouraging to the Committee. Meetings for Worship have been kept up, and as far as appears, in an acceptable manner. With a view to equalize the expense of sending children to the school, the Committee have concluded to make an allowance of eight cents per mile, for traveling expenses, to such scholars as are sent from within the limits of Dover, Falmouth and Vassalborough Quarterly Meetings, provided they remain six months or upwards at the School and they have informed those Quarterly Meetings of their conclusion.

The Committee again conclude to admit from each Monthly Meeting, one Scholar for six months or two scholars three months each free of expense.

Since our last report two of the early friends of the School, and members of this Committee, Sylvester Wickes of Cranston and Obadiah Brown of Providence, have been removed by death. Their Executors laid before this Committee Items of their respective wills, embracing liberal bequests in aid of the funds of the school, and promotion of its objects, an abstract of which will accompany this report. The Executor of Lydia Tillinghast, late of Providence deceased also presented to the Committee an Article of her last Will, by which a bequest is made to certain Friends in trust, to aid the charitable fund of the Institution, a copy of which will be transmitted with the abstract above referred to.

It has appeared very desirable to the Committee that the benefit of these and other similar donations that have already been made or that may hereafter be made to the school or to the Yearly Meeting on its behalf, may be permanently secured to it for the benevolent objects intended by the donors, in such way as may produce least embarrassment to the Society in the management of its pecuniary concerns, and be attended with safety to all concerned: which is submitted to the consideration of the Yearly Meeting.

Providence 2d of 5th Mo 1823.

Signed on behalf of the Committee.
Rowland Greene
Alice Rathbun.

At an annual Meeting of the School Committee held the 19th of 6th Month 1823.

Arnold Congdon is appointed Clerk for the ensuing year.

By appointment of the late Yearly Meeting this Committee is composed of the following members. viz:
Moses Brown William Rotch Jr. Rowland Greene William Almy Benjamin Freeborn Paul Taber Cornelius Howland Micajah Collins Rowland Rathbun John Osborne Ezra Collins Abraham Shearman Jr. Effingham L. Capron Moses Sleeper John Brown Walter Allen Royal Southwick James Hoag Samuel F. Hussey Edward Carr Jonathan Dennis Abijah Chase John Wilbur Arnold Congdon David Buffum Jr. Abraham Wilkinson Enoch Breed Stephen Jones Stephen Gould Thomas Fry Silas Earle Moses Farnum Isaac Bassett Jr. Benjamin Slatt William Buffum Jr. Daniel Clapp Daniel Howland Nicholas Congdon William Slaid Thomas Howland William Jenkins Stephen A. Chase Joseph Metcalf Ethan Arnold — Mary B. Allen, Dorcas Brown Eunice Mitchell Avis Keene Mary Buffinton Lydia Breed Rhoda Howland Elisabeth Barker Anna Robeson Mercy Dockray Phebe Ruth Rodman Anna Almy Phebe Holden Lettice Anthony Hannah Collins Mary B. Robinson, Abigail Arnold Elisabeth Congdon, Dorcas B. Anthony, Mary G. Anthony, Elisabeth Reynolds Hannah Dennis Sarah Greene Deborah

Otis Alice Rathbun Susan Howland Elisabeth Rotch Jr. Sarah Barnard Susanna Gardiner.

Moses Brown Walter Allen Jonathan Dennis William Almy Thomas Howland Ahab Arnold Rowland Greene William Jenkins Joseph Metcalf Benjamin Freeborn Rowland Rathbun Abraham Shearman Jr. John Osborn William Buffum Jr. David Buffum Jr. Arnold Congdon Stephen Gould Isaac Bassett Jr. Stephen A. Chase Daniel Howland — Mary B. Allen Alice Rathbun Elisabeth Rotch Jr. Dorcas Brown Elisabeth Congdon, Abigail Arnold Avis Keene Rhoda Howland Mary A. Robinson Mary G. Anthony Sarah Greene Anna Almy & Hannah Dennis are appointed a sub Committee, who are requested to extend their care to the concerns relative to the School agreeably to our former minutes and report their proceedings and the State of the School to the Quarterly Meetings of this Committee.

It is concluded that the meetings of this Committee be held the same as last Year viz. At the School House on the 6th day following the Quarterly Meetings of Rhode Island, the Quarterly Meetings in the 2d & 5th Months at the 10th hour & the 8th & 11th at the 2d hour. The meetings of the Sub Committee to be at the School house at the 10th hour in the morning on the 3d day of the Week after the last 5th day in each Month.

At a Meeting of the School Committee held the 8th of 8th Mo. 1823. Present 21 Members.

The Sub Committee report.

"That the School has been large, containing on an average 58 females and 41 males and the family have been much blessed with health. The Schools have been visited and their order and improvement appear to have been among the scholars as well as at any time heretofore as far as we know there has been as much harmony in the family as at any time heretofore.

The minute made in the 5th Mo. relative to the Superintendants, having been read, the subject which it embraces engaged the attention of the Committee, but the way not opening for any definitive conclusion at this time, it is referred to the consideration of our next Meeting.

At a Meeting of the School Committee held the 7th of 11th mo. 1823. Present 25. members.

The subject referred to this Meeting respecting providing Superintendents having been considered at this time, it is concluded to appoint Daniel Howland, Rowland Greene, Wm. Almy, John Osborne, David Buffum Jr. Moses Brown Elisabeth Congdon, Mary B. Allen & Alice Rathbun to take the subject generally, into consideration and report to our next Meeting. The present Superintendents expressing a willingness to remain until after that period.

The Treasurer of the Yearly Meeting School Fund presented his Account. John Osborne, Thomas Arnold & Wm. Jenkins are appointed to audit it & report to our next Meeting.

Joseph Metcalf John Osborne & Arnold Congdon are appointed to examine the Superintendents Account at the close of the Year and present a statement of it, to our next Meeting.

At a Meeting of the School Committee held the 6th of 2d mo. 1824. Present 34 members.

The Sub. Committee made the following report. viz.
The Sub. Committee Report, That the School has been attended since last Quarter, and also the Quarter before, containing for the last Six Months on an average 41 males & 44 females, and for the Year past the number on an average nearest 91 scholars. That the family have been favoured with health beyond any former Year and as far appears in as much harmony and their improvement as well as heretofore. The avenue and other improvements have been made agreeable to the conclusion of the Committee as also other Repairs and additions. 2mo. 3. 1824.

Moses Brown
for the Committee.

The Committee appointed to examine the Superintendents Account presented a Statement of it, with the following report vizt.

Agreeably to appointment, we have examined the Superintendents account & found a balance due to the Institution at the close of the Year 1823 of $223.$^{86}/_{100}$ as per Statement annexed.

Signed on behalf of the Committee.
Providence 2^dm^o 2^d 1824. Arnold Congdon.

Adjourned to 2 O. Clk. this Afternoon.

Afternoon met by adjournment.

The Committee upon the Subject of Superintendents made a report as follows vizt.

The Committee to consider of the subject of providing Superintendents, generally, report that some enquiry has been made and we have reason to believe there are a number of Friends who if applied to by the Committee would consent to serve the Institution vizt Matthew & Betsey Purinton, Thomas Fry & Wife, Enoch Breed & Wife, Mark Coffin, Wife & daughter, but as we were not appointed to select such to serve an another year, we submit the subject with this information to the general Committee 6th of 2^dm^o 1824.

Moses Brown
Wm Almy
Rowland Greene
John Osborne
Alice Rathbun.

which being considered, it is concluded to commit the selection of Superintendents to a Committee who are authorised to contract with either of the families mentioned in the report & that Moses Brown W^m. Almy Rowland Greene Stephen A. Chase Stephen Gould Walter Allen Alice Rathbun Mary A. Robinson Abigail Arnold & Hannah Dennis. compose said Committee. to report to our next meeting.

The Teachers have been consulted respecting their con tinuance. Isaiah Jones & Samuel B. Tobey proposed terms which were not acceded to by the Committee. They however are willing to continue in the School three months the former at the rate of $275. pr Ann. & the latter at the rate of $246 pr Ann. In the interim the Sub-Committee are requested further to negotiate with them or such others as they may deem suitable for the employment.

Abigail Peirce agrees to continue another Year for $240. & Sarah Lockwood one Year for $120.

The Committee to audit the Treasurers Acct. made report as follows. vizt.

The Committee to audit the Treasurers Acct. report. That we have examined his accounts and compared the securities and evidences of Bank Stock with the within list by him submitted, & find them to correspond therewith. which is submitted in behalf of the Comee.

2d mo. 6. 1824. John Osborne.

List of Securities belonging to the Yearly Meeting School fund the 3d of 11th mo. 1823.

1818. 8mo. 26.	Moses Farnum's note on which is endorsed	
1821.	$50 the 3d of 11th mo. 1829.	190.72.
1mo. 30.	Henry. Mariah & Abby Mantons note endorsed by Wm. J. Manton	1000. "
5mo. 8	Wm. Manton endorsed by Henry Manton	156 "
14.	do. do. do.	294. "
1819. 1mo. 2	Caleb Pain on which the Interest is paid to mo. 1823	50. "
1820	Do. 4 other notes in 1822. for Schooling .	80. "
11mo. 7	John Lee's Note	100. "
1821. 5mo. 11	Seth Kelley's do.	50 "
. 30.	Gideon Mowry's do.	10. "
10 m: 30	A & J. Wilkinsons do. (pd. in part) .	1500. "
11mo. 13.	Nicholas Brown (of Cumberland) note	282. 33
1822. 6mo. 8.	Caleb Walls do.	6. 15
3mo. 1.	Nathan Buffinton's do.	264. 3.
23.	Thomas Buffum guaranteed by " Wm. Buffum Jr.	157. 83.
		# 4141. 03

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	Amt. of Securities brot. over	$4141.03.
1822 2m°8	Wm. Buffum & Son's note	679.68.
1823. 4m°7.	Ambrose & Otis Hunt	411.06
5m°23.	10 Shares in P. U. Bank L. Tillinghasts Legacy . .	000.00
"	10 d°. . d°. Merchants Bank d°.	1000.00
11m°3.	W. Almy's note with Int. from the 16th of 10th m°.	3000.00.
	Tho. Arnold's note dated 2d of 9th m°. 1820	54.58.
		$9286"29.

At a Meeting of the School Committee held the 7th of 5th m°. 1824. present 25 members.

The Committee appointed to select Superintendents report, that having had a conference with Matthew & Betsey Purinton they expressed a desire to be released from the Superintendence of the School, and in consequence of their resignation the Committee have agreed with Enoch & Lydia Breed of Weare monthly meeting to take the charge of the School as Superintendents for one year at the salary of three hundred dollars. They commenced the 30th of 3d m°. last.

It is concluded again to admit one Scholar from each Monthly Meeting, 6 months, or two schollars 3 months each free of expense.

[illegible] Friend [illegible] late [illegible] Obadiah Brown having placed at the disposal of this Committee in behalf of the Yearly Meeting of Friends, a considerable fund as appears by extracts from his Will entered on our minutes in the 5th m°. last. It has appeared to the Committee that most benefit would result to Society at large from the appropriation & application of the fund to the decreasing the amount of the expenses of board and tuition for friends children including those where but one of their parents is a member. With this view the Committee conclude that after the 1st of [illegible]th m°. next such children be admitted at the rate of sixteen [illegible]

The Committee ~~[illegible]~~ taking into consideration the arduous services of our friends Matthew & Betsey Purinton during their continuance as Superintendants of this School and more especially the early part of their residence here, conclude to request the Treasurer of the School fund to present them with One hundred dollars, as an additional compensation.

Adjourned to half past two O'Clock this Afternoon.

Afternoon met by adjournment.

By a minute of the Sub Committee it appears that they have agreed with Josiah Jones & Samuel B. Tobey to continue as instructors, untill the Meeting of this Committee in the 2d Month next. The former is to have allowed him $280 & the latter $250, commencing 2d mo 1. 1824.

The following report to the Yearly Meeting was read & approved viz.

The Yearly Meeting Boarding School Committee report,

That they have continued their attention during the past Year to the concerns of the Institution placed under their care, and feel encouraged to believe that the reasonable expectations of Friends, in regard to its usefulness to the children and Youth of Society will be measurably realized.

Matthew & Betsey Purinton the former Superintendants having expressed a desire to be released the Committee have agreed with Enoch & Lydia Breed to take charge of the School in that capacity.

The same Teachers are employed as at the time of our last report. The average number of Children at the School has been about 90. Their general conduct and improvement have been satisfactory to the Committee.

It is again concluded to admit from each Monthly Meeting one Child for Six Months, or two children three months each, free of expense.

Our late friend Obadiah Brown having placed at the disposal of ~~this Committee, in behalf of~~ the Yearly Meeting, a liberal bequest to the Institution, as appears by extracts from his Will accompanying our last report, it has appeared to the Committee that most benefit would result to Society at large from an appropriation of a portion of the fund to the defraying of a part of the expense of board and tuition. of ~~children who are members of our Society, including the children of parents one or both of whom are members~~. With this view the Committee ~~conclude~~ propose that after the 1st of 7th mo. next ~~such~~ Children may be admitted at the rate of the Sixteen dollars per Quarter. ~~which is submitted~~; on behalf of the Committee.

Providence 7th of 5th mo. 1824. Arnold Congdon.
Mary A. Robinson.

At a meeting of the School Committee held at New Port the 18th of 6th mo. 1824. present forty three Members.

The former clerk desiring to be released William Jenkins is appointed Clerk for the ensuing year. —

The Yearly Meeting has appointed the following friends as this Committee. Viz

Moses Brown David Buffum Rowland Greene Royal Southwick David Buffum Jr Rowland Rathbun Benjamin Mott John Osborn James Hoag Wm Buffum Jr William Almy Daniel Clapp Benjamin Freeborn Abraham Shearman Jr Edward Cobb Stephen Jones Daniel Howland Jonathan Dennis Stephen Gould Nicholas Congdon Paul Tabor Effingham L. Capron William Slaid Moſes Sleeper Abijah Chase Thomas Fry (of Bolton.) Cornelius Howland John Brown John Wilbour Silas Earle Thomas Howland William Jenkins Moſes Farnum Stephen A Chase Micajah Collins Walter Allen Arnold Congdon Isaac Baſset Jr Joseph Metcalf Ahab Arnold James Tucker – Dorcas Brown Eunice Mitchell Avis Keene Mary Buffinton Rhoda Howland Elizabeth Barker Mercy Dockray Phebe Cobb Ruth Rodman Mary B. Allen Phebe Holden Letitia Anthony Hannah Collins, Mary A. Robinson (Anna A.

Anna A Jenkins Eunice Kelley Abigail Arnold Elizabeth Congdon Dorcas Anthony Ann L. Buffum Mary G Anthony Elizabeth Reynolds Hannah Dennis Deborah Otis Alice Rathbun Susan Howland Susanna Gardner Elizabeth Rotch Sarah Barnard.—

It is concluded that the meetings of this Committee be held the same as the last year.

Moses Brown Walter Allen Jonathan Dennis Wm Almy Thomas Howland Ahab Arnold Rowland Greene Wm Jenkins Joseph Metcalf Benjamin Freeborn Rowland Rathbun Abraham Shearman Jr John Osborne William Buffum Jr David Buffum Jr Arnold Congdon Stephen Gould Isaac Bassett Jr Stephen A Chase Daniel Howland Nicholas Congdon Cornelius Howland Mary B. Allen Alice Rathbun Elizabeth Rotch Dorcas Brown Elizabeth Congdon Abigail Arnold Rhoda Howland Mary A Robinson Mary G. Anthony Anna A Jenkins Hannah Dennis Ann L Buffum Eunice Kelley Avis Keene are appointed a sub committee who are requested to extend their care to the concerns of the school agreeably to our former minutes and report their proceedings and the state of the School to the Quarterly Meetings of this Committee.—

On reviewing the minute ~~to this Committee~~ made at the meeting of this Committee in the 5th Month last, we have concluded to appoint David Buffum Moses Brown Benjamin Freeborn William Almy Thomas Howland Abraham Shearman Jr Stephen Gould and Rowland Greene a Committee to take into consideration to what extent the funds left by our late friend Obadiah Brown or any other funds belonging to this Institution are to be appropriated to the benefit of those not of our Society if so appropriated at all.—

Abraham Shearman Jr is requested to transmit with the minutes of the Yearly Meeting the Report of this Committee (made last month) to the several Monthly Meetings. ——

At a meeting of the School Committee held on the 6th of 8th Month 1824 — present 32 Members.

The sub Committee made the following Report

The sub Committee Report — that the School has been continued the last quarter in a healthy state except one instance of fever which is considered on the recovery — the number of Schollars has been forty five Females and thirty three Males — We have been informed that an Action has been brought against the Tenant on the Farm given to this Institution by our Friend Sylvester Wickes by a part of his Heirs for the recovery of possession — Which information we have thought proper to communicate to the Meeting for Sufferings their Meeting occurring before yours. Signed ~~by one~~ in behalf of
Providence 3d of 8th Mo 1824. the committee by — Moses Brown

The following extracts from the minutes of the Yearly Meeting were received and read at this time —

At our Yearly Meeting of Friends held on Rhode Island for New England in the 6th Mo. 1824.

The Report of the Boarding School Committee was read and being acceptable to Friends — the consideration of such discriminations, if any as it may be thought proper to make in the admission of ~~children~~, and particularly as relates to an appropriation of the income of Donations consistent with the views of the Donors, and agreeably to their respective Wills is referred to the determination of the committee for the government and superintendance of the School now about to be appointed — subject to the future revision of this Meeting. —

Moses Brown David Buffum and others are named (to unite with such Committee as may be appointed by the Women) to constitute a Committee for the government and superintendance of the Boarding School and to act therein on behalf of this Meeting for the ensuing year — Fifteen of whom shall be considered a Quorum for the transaction of business at any regular Meeting of the committee — and said Committee is authorised to appoint out of their own number such sub Committee as they may judge proper, to aid them in promoting the objects of the Institution under the dire direction of the general Committee.

Moses Brown is appointed Treasurer of the Yearly Meetings School Fund: and he is hereby authorised and requested to pay from time to time such sums arising from the income of the Fund, as may be appropriated by the School Committee for the purposes of the Institution — and to exhibit his accounts to that Committee for settlement, in order that a statement thereof may be annually reported to this Meeting

From the Minutes of said Meeting

Abrm Shearman Jr Clk

In consequence of information given by the sub Committee relative to an action brought against the Tenant to obtain possession of a part of the Farm given by our late friend Sylvester Wickes deceased (in his last will and Testament) to the Yearly Meeting for the benefit of the Charity Fund of this Institution — We appoint John Wilbour Moses Brown Thomas Howland Rowland Greene William Almy Wm Jenkins and John Osborne a Committee to unite with a Committee appointed by the Meeting for Sufferings — to take the necessary charge of the Case and they are hereby authorised to draw on the Treasurer of the School Fund for the sum of Two hundred dollars to defray such expences as may accrue in the defence of it. —

It being stated that there has recently been several new Publications by Friends — and a concern having been manifested that the sub committee should continue to encourage the reading of Friends books in the Schools of this Institution — they are requested to pay further attention to the subject — and to give the necessary information of what Books are in common use in the Schools to a future meeting of this Committee. —

At a Meeting of the School Committee held 5th of 11th Mo 1824
present Moſes Brown Daniel Clapp John Wilbour Joseph Metcalf
Nicholas Congdon Abraham Shearman Jr William Buffum Jr John Osborne
David Buffum Jr Thomas Howland Ahab Arnold Arnold Congdon
Royal Southwick Isaac Baſsett Moſes Farnum William Jenkins
Dorcas Brown Mary A Robinson Mercy Dockray Mary G Anthony
Mary B Allen Alice Rathbun and Rowland Rathbun — 24 Members
A. L. Buffum — — The Sub Committee made the following Report

Viz — The sub committee Report that the School has been continued — the Male scholars on an average have numbered forty six and the Females fifty three — and at our last Meeting they numbered 54 males and 58 females — and it appearing that the School would again be likely to increase further preparation for lodging has been neceſsary and several new beds have been made and more is likely to be wanted — that we have agreed with Benjamin Huſsey as an Aſsistant Teacher to pay him Twelve dollars pr Month from our last Monthly Meeting the 5th of 10th mo untill another Aſsistant be procured — which we have looked out for and have written to one recommended as a suitable teacher but have not received the neceſsary information to close any agreement — We have also written to Mary Hedee and got an answer, giving encouragement of her being here the first of next month — The School hath been favoured with general health and has been conducted orderly as far as appears — — Signed in behalf of the Committee
— 11th Mo 2d 1824 Moſes Brown

It appearing to be neceſsary that a wash room should be built on the north side of the house for the accomodation of the boys — Arnold Congdon Nicholas Congdon Ahab Arnold and Moſes Brown are appointed to have the room built as soon as may be practicable

The following by report made to this Committee appears to be the titles of the books read in the schools of this Institution — The Scriptures — Scripture leſsons Shackleton's Memoirs — Piety Promoted — No Croſs No Crown Clarkson's Portraiture — Tukes Principles — Griscom's Year in Europe — Letters to Strong ~~and~~ the common class books including Murrays Reader and Sequel — and Barclays Apology — and Cowpers Task. ———

At a Meeting of the School Committee held 4th of 2d. Month 1825. Present Moses Brown David Buffum Benjamin Freeborn Jonathan Dennis Benjamin Mott Richard Mitchell William Slade Daniel Hafs Arnold Congdon Rowland Rathbun William Buffum Jr Daniel Howland Jr Abraham Shearman Jr John Wilbur Isaac Bassett Jr Wm Almy Rowland Greene Moses Farnum Martha Allen Abiah Arnold Abial Chase Stephen A Chase Thomas Howland Stephen Smith Cornelius Howland ~~[illegible]~~ Wm Jenkins — Mary F Allen Elizabeth Congdon Hannah Dennis Elizabeth Reynolds Mercy Cochran Dorcas Brown — Abigail Arnold Alice Rathbun Hannah Collins Ann L Buffum & Mary A. Robinson 37 Members —

The time for which Enoch and Lydia Breed agreed to take the superintendance of this Institution will terminate with the ensuing month and the subject having been introduced for the care of this Committee — we appoint Wm Almy Thomas Howland Benjamin Freeborn ~~[illegible]~~ Moses Brown Mary Rathbun Dorcas Brown and Alice Rathbun to confer with them on the subject of their continuance in that station for another year and Report to a future sitting.

The time having expired for which the principal teachers of the Schools in this Institution agreed to remain we appoint Rowland Greene Stephen A. Chase Abraham Shearman Jr Thomas Howland Wm Buffum Jr John Wilbur Benjamin Freeborn Elizabeth Congdon Abigail Arnold and Hannah Dennis a committee to agree with teachers for the ensuing year and Report to a future sitting.

Adjourned to meet at 3 O'clock in the afternoon.

The sub Committee made the following Report viz —

To the General Committee for the care of the Yearly Meetings School — The sub Committee Report that the School has been continued uninterruptedly under the tuition of the same teachers as heretofore with the addition of Mary Bedee and David Daniels — The number of

50 scholars on an average 123 viz 61 in the boys school and sixty two in the girls - but latterly the whole number has been upwards of One hundred & thirty — The increase of scholars since the reduction of price has been such that much ~~addition~~ increase of beds and bedings have have been necessarily added — The Rooms are so fully occupied that we apprehend that it is necessary for the Committee to take into consideration the enlargement of the House or some mode of lessening the number of scholars as the crowded state of the school & lodging rooms should it continue till warmer weather may render the family unhealthy — though as yet it may be said to have been healthy - and continues in harmony — all of which is submitted to your attention —

1st of 2d Mo 1805. } — Moses Brown in behalf of the Committee

It appears by the report of the sub Committee that the number of scholars has so increased that more room is necessary for the proper accomodation and safety of the scholars in this School which subject has claimed the deliberate consideration of this Committee and has resulted in the appointment of Nicholas Congdon Moses Brown Wm Almy and Wm Jenkins a Committee to spread the ~~[illegible]~~ subject before the next Meeting for Sufferings for their advisement on the propriety of enlarging this building early ~~in~~ the present season. And if the Meeting for sufferings advise the enlargement as contemplated (say about Forty feet in length in extension of each wing of the house) — the sub Committee are requested to take the necessary charge of procuring the materials and cause the said additions to be made as early in the season as circumstances may admit of. ——

Some inconvenience having been experienced by reason of this Committee not having copies of the original minutes of the Yearly Meeting and of the Meeting for Sufferings relating to the establishment of the school - Stephen Gould Moses Brown Arnold Congdon and Wm Jenkins are appointed a committee to examine the records of the above named Meetings, and to take copies of all records relating to the origin, establishment and continuance of this School with an account of all donations made to this Institution in a Book to be procured for those purposes. ——

The Committee appointed to confer with the Superintendent, Report that they agree to continue in the same capacity for one year from the 30th of 3d Month next for Three hundred dollars per year and the privilege of sending their daughter into the School for one year. ——

The Committee appointed in the morning to agree with Teachers for the ensuing year Report that Isaac Jones agrees to continue another year from this date for Two hundred and eighty dollars pr year and two weeks vacation — and that Abigail Dean concludes to continue another year from the same date for Two hundred & forty dollars — and Mary Weeden has agreed to stay the same time as Assistant Teacher for One hundred & twenty dollars and Sarah Earle to continue in the same capacity for One hundred dollars per year for the year ensuing — The Sub Committee are desired to take the necessary care that the boys school is provided with a sufficient number of Teachers and the subject of additional compensation to Isaac Jones for two weeks extra service during the past year is also referred to the same Committee he not having been able to leave the school for that length of time as he was entitled to by agreement. ——

Arnold Congdon William Buffum & Thomas Howland Thos. Arnold and Wm Jenkins are appointed a committee to settle the Treasurers and Superintendents accounts and Report to the next meeting of this Committee. —

At a Meeting of the School Committee held 6th of 5th Mo 1825. Present Moses Brown David Buffum Abraham Shearman Jr Stephen Gould Rowland Rathbun William Buffum Jr Joseph Metcalf Arnold Congdon Benjamin Freeborn Wm Slade Rowland Greene Benjamin Mott Thomas Howland John Osborn Obad Arnold and Wm Jenkins — Mary G. Anthony Alice Rathbun Elizabeth Congdon & Dorcas Anthony. —

The Committee appointed at the last Meeting of this Committee to communicate with the Meeting for Sufferings on the subject of the enlargement of this house — Report that they opened the subject to that Meeting and received its advice to proceed in the building and that a Committee has been appointed by the sub School committee who have contracted to have the enlargements made and that the additions are now in progress. —

The Committee appointed to examine the Records relating to the origin and establishment of this School inform that some attention has been paid to the appointment but that they are not ready to report — they are continued and are desired to report at the next Meeting of this Committee.

The Committee appointed to settle the Treasurer and Superintendants accounts made the following Report which is accepted

The Committee appointed to examine the Treasurer and Superintendants accounts have attended to that ~~appointment~~ service and herewith present their statements, which we believe to be correct.

On behalf of the Committee
Providence 5th Mo 3d 1825. —— Obad Arnold.

by which it appears there is a balance of Twenty dollars 55/100 in the hands of the Superintendant. —

The sub Committee made the following Report viz The Sub Committee Reports that the School has been under the care of the teachers heretofore named — since last quarter that there has been from Ninety eight to One hundred and thirty seven scholars amounting on the average to One hundred and thirteen of which about 60 have been Males and fifty three Females — that the Influenza Rheumatism and Measles have caused the Family much indisposition — the latter disorder was incautiously introduced by a young man a scholar exposing himself and returning to the School when he was taken sick with it — and communicated the disease to a number — We mention this circumstance — to prevent if possible a repetition of such inconsiderate conduct in others, who may have been exposed in a similar way — and strongly recommend that no person come to the School who have been so exposed to infectious disorders in less time than three weeks after such exposure —— Notwithstanding these Trying circumstances the Schools & attention have been kept up and harmony has prevailed in the Family which is submitted —.

In behalf of the Committee.

3d of 5th Mo 1825. — Moses Brown. —

It appears on examining the accounts of this Institution that the former and present Superintendants have been in the practice of advancing to the children from time to time small sums of money and that there is now due from $75 to One hundred dollars a considerable portion of which probably will not be collected — It is therefore the conclusion of the Committee that the superintendants do not in future advance any money for spending money to any scholar on account of this Institution. —

Adjourned to meet at Two Oclock this afternoon. —

Afternoon met by adjournment

The Committee appointed in the sixth month last to take into consideration the ~~appointment~~ appropriation of the Funds of this Institution made the following Report viz We the Committee appointed to consider of the subject of admitting scholars into the Yearly Meeting Boarding School — after deliberate reflection thereon — propose for the consideration of the General Committee in the present arrangement, the following conclusions namely That Children who are members of Society be received at Sixteen dollars per Quarter and those who are children or grand children of membe of our Society or under the care of Friends may be admitted at Twenty dollars, and those who are members of other Yearly Meeti or who have no connexion with Friends (if it should be thought best at any time hereafter to admit such) at Twenty five dollars per Quarter as has been practiced.

On behalf of the Committee

Moses Brown

which is acceptable, and the same is adopted as the present conclusion of this Committee on that subject. —

This Committee considering the danger to which the Institution has recently been exposed by fire originating from a lighted cigar is induced to direct, that hereafter the practice of smoking tobacco in any way in the house or about the premises be discontinued as well by the members of the Family and children as by the members of the Committee and visitors at the school unless in special cases when advised by a Physician as Medicine and then with great precaution under the care of the Superintendants. — —

The following Report to the Yearly Meeting was read and approved Viz

The Yearly Meeting Boarding School Committee Report

That they have given attention during the past year to the concerns of the Institution and feel a degree of satisfaction in being enabled to state that the prospect of its usefulness to the children and youth of the Society continues to be encouraging

The School is continued under the charge of Enoch & Lydia Breed as Superintendants — and Isaiah Jones David Daniels Samuel Bodley Abigail Peirce Mary Bede and Sarah Carte as Instructors. The average number of scholars for the year past has been One hundred & three. — The receipts for board and tuition with the income of the Fund continue to meet the expenditures. — —

It is concluded again to admit one child from each monthly Meeting six months or two children three months each free of expence provided their term be accomplished within ~~one~~ the year succeeding the Yearly Meeting. The number of Children at the School had so increased at the commencement of the present year, that the Committee thought it necessary for their convenient and healthful accomodation and that of the family, that the building should be enlarged by an addition of about forty feet square to each wing, and as it appeared desirable that the work should be commenced previous to the time of the yearly Meeting — they with the advice of the Meeting for Sufferings have contracted to have such additions made and they are now in progress. —

The accounts of Moses Brown Treasurer of the School fund have been exhibited to this Committee and settled by which it appears that the donation of Fifty thousand Dollars made to this Institution by our late friend Obadiah Brown has been received by him and is invested in part in Bank Stock and the residue loaned to individuals sufficiently secured by Mortgage or otherwise — That the donation of One thousand Dollars to the charitable fund by our late friend Lydia Tillinghast has also been received and the amount invested in Bank Stock and the income of this donation and the rent of the Farm in Connecticut given by our late friend Sylvester Wickes have been appropriated by the Committee agreeably to the respective Wills of the Donors — It also appears that there is a disposable Fund of about Nine thousand four hundred dollars in securities including the Principal and Interest due thereon — — the balance of money in his hands 4th mo. 21st. ($279.20/100) has been paid for the use of this Institution. ——

It is concluded by the Committee that children of this Yearly Meeting who are members of Society continue to be ~~admitted~~ received for the present at Sixteen dollars per quarter and that those who are children or grandchildren of members of our Society or under the care of Friends of this Yearly Meeting (when the circumstances of the School permits of their being received) be admitted at Twenty dollars per Quarter — and that should it be thought best hereafter to admit any others that they be received at Twenty five dollars per quarter.

The Committee propose, should it meet the approbation of the Yearly Meeting, that the annexed minutes be forwarded to the several Monthly Meetings for their government in sending children to the School.* — Signed on behalf of the Committee

Providence 5th Mo 6th 1825

Wm Jenkins
Alice Rathbun —

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* The School Committee in the discharge of the important trust confided to them by the Yearly Meeting, have found it necessary from time to time to recur to the great object, which the Yearly Meeting itself as well as the Friends who have contributed to the funds of the Institution have had in view in the establishment of the School and which they think cannot be better expressed than in the language which accompanied the bequest of one of its early Friends and most liberal benefactors. "that our children and youth may receive a
"religious guarded education, free from the contaminating influence
"of the vain fashionable world, which leads young minds from the
"simplicity of the truth and that meek and quiet spirit exhibit-
"ed by our blessed Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, whom we profess
"to follow"

It was in accordance with such views, that the Committee were induced in the 2d month 1819. soon after the School was in operation to forward the following minute to the several Monthly Meetings and which in 1821 was again sent down under the sanction of the Yearly Meeting viz

"It has appeared necessary from experience derived
"since the opening of the Institution, that more general circum-
"spection should be attended in sending children to the School
"conformably to the recommendation in the printed circular of the
"12th mo last — And to preserve the order necessary to carry the object
"of the Yearly Meeting into ~~effect~~ more complete effect, it is
"recommended that each Monthly Meeting appoint
"a few suitable Friends, to whom application may be
"made by Parents or Guardians of children, who are

desirous of placing them at the School – that the Friends so appointed consider it their duty not only to enjoin, that the children come in a plain dress, and in the use of the plain Scripture language but that they are of good habits. And that they give a few lines to that import, for the information of the Superintendants and Instructors at the School"

The Committee now feel it to be their duty to recommend to the Monthly Meetings a greater extension of care to these objects, and that the appointments of such Committees be revived by them to act in Connection with the members of this Committee, if any, who may reside within the limits of each monthly Meeting. And as Children have in several instances, been brought to the School, without any recommendation or minute from the Committees of the Monthly Meetings, and through an unwillingness to subject their Parents or others to inconvenience, have been admitted, notwithstanding – It is now concluded after ~~deliberate consideration~~ deliberately considering the subject, and with the preservation of right order, and the good of ~~the property of~~ the Institution solely in view – that after a reasonable time for the circulation of this conclusion the Superintendants be instructed not to receive any children without such certificate.

In all cases of a doubtful nature that may come before them, the Committees of the Monthly Meetings are requested to make application (by letter addressed to the Superintendants) to the acting Committee of the Institution, which meets at the School House in Providence on the third day after the last fifth day in each Month.

As a further means of promoting simplicity of manners and appearance among the children, and to prevent the injurious effects of a contrary example, the Superintendants are authorised to direct, that such apparel as the children bring with them, that is deemed inconsistent with the plain way that Truth leads into, be laid aside during their residence at the School or the necessary alterations made and the expense charged. ——

At a Meeting of the School Committee held at Newport 16th of 6th Mo. 1825. present Thirty Six members.

William Jenkins is appointed Clerk for the ensuing year.

The Yearly Meeting having appointed the same friends who served in that capacity last year, to compose the School Committee for the present year — Moses Brown and Mary B Allen and others, who were appointed to act as a sub-Committee the last year are continued under that appointment and they are requested to extend their care to the concerns of the School, through the ensuing year and report their proceedings and the state of the School, to the Quarterly Meetings of this Committee.

It is concluded that the meetings of this Committee be held at the School house in Providence on the Sixth day of the week at the 10th hour in the morning — following the days on which Rhode Island Quarterly Meetings ~~is~~ held; and at Newport at the close of the Yearly Meeting. —

At a Meeting of the School Committee held 5th of 8th month 1825. present — Moses Brown Wm Almy Thomas Howland Joseph Metcalf Arnold Congdon — Micajah Collins Ahab Arnold Abraham Shearman Jr Nicholas Congdon — Jonathan Dennis Rowland Rathbun Walter Allen — Wm Jenkins Hannah Collins Abigail Arnold Hannah Dennis Mary B Allen Elizabeth Reynolds Alice Rathbun and Elizabeth Congdon

The Sub Committee made the following Report ... viz ——

Viz To the General Committee

The Sub Committee Report that the School has been continued to the satisfaction of the Committee and we believe that harmony has been preserved in the Institution — Meetings have been kept up regularly — and the health of the Family has been generally pretty good since our last Report — The average number of Scholars for the last Quarter has been forty of each sex.

Providence 8th Mo 2d 1825

Signed on behalf of the Committee
Thos Howland

— The following extracts from the Minutes of the Yearly Meeting were read at this time Viz "William Jenkins is appointed to assist the Treasurer of the School Fund in performing the duties of that office.

In the event of the payment into the Treasury of the Principal of any of the sums now due to the School Fund, the Treasurer is directed to advise with the School Committee in regard to the re-investment of such sums, or with such Committee as may be appointed by them to aid in making such Investments. From the Minutes of the Yearly Meeting
6th Mo 1825.

A. Shearman Jr Clk. —

Moses Brown in behalf of the Committee appointed to examine the Records relating to the origin and establishment of this ~~School~~ Institution Reports, that attention has been paid to the appointment — and that Books have been procured and transcripts made of sundry Records on the subjects committed to their care — The Committee are continued, and are desired to pay further attention to the subject and Report to a future meeting of this Committee. ———

At a Meeting of the School Committee held the 4th of 11th Mo 1825 — Present Moses Brown Benja Freeborn William Almy Rowland Greene Thomas Howland Ahab Arnold Abijah Chase Stephen Gould Nicholas Congdon Arnold Congdon Joseph Metcalf Isaac Bassett Jr Rowland Rathbun Moses Farnum Walter Allen Wm Buffum Jr Daniel Clapp Thos Jenkins Elizabeth Congdon Mary G Anthony Abigail Arnold Alice Rathbun Ann L Buffum Deborah Otis & Mary B Allen. — It being the conclusion of this Committee to appropriate the morning to visiting the Schools we adjourn to the 2d hour this afternoon.

Afternoon met by adjournment — —

The Sub Committee made the following Report.

Viz The Sub Committee Report — that the School has been satisfactorily continued — the average number of Scholars for the last Quarter has been about Eighty eight the present number is One hundred five Viz Sixty One Females and Forty four Males. — The general health of the scholars and family has been good — Meetings have been regularly kept up and harmony has been preserved in the Institution.

Providence 11th Mo 1st 1825.

Signed in behalf of the Committe
Ahab Arnold. —

The subject of the admission of Scholars into this Institution who are not connected with Friend and to whom no encouragement has been given having claimed our attention — it is concluded that no scholar of this description be admitted untill the next Meeting of this Committee, to which time the subject is Referred for further consideration.

At a Meeting of the School Committee held 2d of 3d Month 1826 Present Moses Brown [illegible] Stephen Gould Wm Buffum Jr Rowland Greene Samuel Dennis Silas Earle Wm Almy Daniel [illegible] Wm Slade Nicholas Congdon Joseph Metcalf Rowland Rathbun Abial Arnold Daniel Howland Arnold Congdon Dinah Chace Wm Jenkins Hannah Dennis Dorcas Brown Alice Rathbun Mercy Cockran Abigail Arnold Mary Buffinton Elizabeth Reynolds & Elizabeth Congdon.

Rowland Greene Stephen Gould Rowland Rathbun Alice Rathbun Abigail Arnold & Elizabeth Reynolds are appointed a Committee to confer with the Superintendants on the subject of their continuance in the same Station another year and report to a future sitting

The time having expired for which most of the Teachers agreed to remain and the Committee being informed that Samuel B Tobey is desirous of leaving the Institution in a short time [illegible] Chase Wm Buffum Jr Moses Brown Wm Almy Abial Arnold Rowland Greene Elizabeth Congdon Dorcas Brown Hannah Dennis & Mercy Cockran a committee to confer with the Teachers on the subject of their continuance and obtain their terms and propose names to fill such vacancies as may occur and report to a future sitting.

The Sub Committee [illegible] the following Report. For the present number of scholars are sixty five females and seventy two males

62 The school has been healthy since our last Report and preserved in harmony.

The number of scholars since last Quarter on an average has been 119. One hundred & nineteen

The new School Rooms are now finished and occupied by the scholars — the school has been kept up and the Chemical Lectures have been attended in an orderly manner — and we think the Institution affords as good prospects of usefulness as at any time since its commencement.

Signed ——— Moses Brown for the Committee
1st Mo 31st 1826.

The subject of the admission of scholars who are not connected with Friends coming under consideration by reference from the Minutes of the last Meeting — it is again concluded that no such scholar be admitted untill the next Meeting of this Committee to which time the subject is ~~again~~ referred.

We adjourn to the third hour this afternoon.

Afternoon met by adjournment

The committee appointed in the Morning to confer with Enoch & Lydia Breed the Superintendents informs that they agree to continue in the same station for another year, commencing the first of fourth month next — for three hundred and fifty dollars — which is acceptable to this Committee.

The committee named to confer with the teachers [illegible] that [illegible] have agreed to continue in the same station another year at the same price as the last year with the privilege of one month absence — And that [illegible] has agreed to continue as principal Teacher in the boys school for another year for three hundred & fifty dollars — and that David [illegible] has agreed to continue as a Teacher another year from the expiration of his present engagement for three hundred dollars and that George [illegible] has agreed to serve as assistant Teacher for one year for one hundred fifty dollars — The sub Committee are requested to take the necessary care to provide a sufficient number of Teachers for the girls School. —

Thomas Arnold Arnold [illegible] Wm Buffum Jr & Wm Jenkins are appointed to settle the Treasurer and Superintendents accounts and report to the next meeting of the Committee.

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At a Meeting of the School Committee held 5th mo 5 1826 — Present Moses Brown Stephen Gould Cornelius Howland Thomas Howland Joseph Metcalf Moses Farnum Ahab Arnold Abraham Shearman Jr. John Osborn Arnold Congdon William Buffum & William Almy Rowland Greene & Wm Jenkins Abigail Arnold Mary G Anthony Dorcas Brown Elizabeth Congdon Ruth Rodman Mary B. Allen Rhoda Howland Anna Buffum Deborah Otis.

The SubCommittee made the following report viz.

The SubCommittee inform that the average number of scholars since our last report has been One hundred & thirty seven — the present number is fifty five Females and sixty three Males. The school has been continued to the satisfaction of the Committee — the Meeting has been kept up — the scholars and family have been favoured with general good health and the harmony of the Institution preserved. The additions to the wings of the school House and the improvements of the old barn have been completed — the cost of them amounts to $8835 50/100 of which sum there is a balance due to Almy & Brown for advances made by them to the building Committee of $1351 41/100 — We also inform that such has been the increase of scholars that the additions have proved to have been very necessary for the comfort and suitable accommodation of the scholars and family. —

We further inform that Mary Binder having left the ~~School~~ Institution Sarah Carr has been engaged to supply her place as Teacher — for One hundred and twenty dollars pr annum and that Mary Almy has been engaged as Assistant teacher at One dollar per week.

The Committee appointed to settle the Treasr & Superintendents accounts made the following Report which is acceptable viz.

The Committee appointed to settle the Treasurer and Superintendents accounts have attended to the same statements of which are herewith presented which we believe to be correct. In behalf of the Committee

To the School Committee — Wm Buffum Jr

Providence 4th mo 29th 1826

Signed on behalf of the Committee [illegible]. 5 mo 2d 1826

Adjourned to the 2d hour this Afternoon.

Afternoon met by adjournment —

The subject of the allowance of traveling expenses to scholars from the three Eastern Quarterly Meetings having been introduced to the consideration of this Committee, it is concluded that the sum allowed in future be six cents pr Mile to each scholar from those Meetings who is a member of our Society — the same scholar to receive that allowance but once in one year — and the Clerk is requested to furnish those Quarterly Meetings with a copy of this minute. —

It is concluded to refer the subject of the admission of children not connected with Friends as Scholars in this Institution to the disposition of the Sub Committee — and they are desired to exercise great caution in the admission of such children if they should conclude to receive any such as scholars.

The following Report to the Yearly Meeting was read and accepted and approved and Moses Brown and Moses B. Allen are requested to sign the same in behalf of this Committee. Viz.

The Yearly Meeting Boarding School Committee Report — That they have given their attention to the concerns of the Institution through the past year and feel a satisfaction in being able to state their belief that its usefulness to Society continues to increase.

Meetings for Worship have been regularly continued and the family has been preserved in harmony." The school is under the charge of Enoch and Lydia Breed as Superintendents and Isaiah Jones David Daniels George Jones Abigail Peirce Sarah Earle and Mary Almy as teachers. — The average number of scholars for the past year has been One hundred Eleven — The receipts for board and tuition together with the income of the Fund have proved equal to the expenditures — It is again concluded to admit one child from each Monthly Meeting six months or two children three months each free of expense — provided this can be accomplished within the year succeeding the Yearly Meeting. The terms of admission of children the same as the last year. —

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The account of the Treasurer of the School Fund has been exhibited and ~~allowed~~ settled — The additions to the Wings of the school house as contemplated in our Report of last year have been completed the expense of which together with the necessary improvements in the old parts of the house amounts in the whole to Eight thousand Eight hundred and thirty five dollars fifty nine cents — Of this sum Seven thousand and four hundred & Eighty four dollars eighteen cents has been collected of the disposable Fund and paid — leaving a balance ~~due~~ of now due Thirteen hundred and fifty One dollars 41/100 — to liquidate which there remains of the disposable Fund uncollected Two thousand and fifty two dollars seventy five cents.

~~The School increased the last winter having been~~ the average number of scholars for the last five months having been 136. a much larger number than at any former period. experience has proved that the additions were ~~[illegible]~~ necessary for the suitable accommodation and comfort of the scholars & family.

Signed on behalf of the Committee
By Moses Brown
Mary R Allen

We appoint Ahab Arnold and Wm Jenkins to cause Fire Insurance to be affected on the school house and Furniture for the sum of Twenty five thousand dollars on the best terms they can and report to the next Meeting of this Committee.

At a Meeting of the School Committee held at [illegible]
6th Mo 15th 1824 present thirty nine Members.

William Jenkins is appointed Clerk for the ensuing year.

The Yearly Meeting having appointed the following Friends as their Boarding School Committee Moses Brown [illegible] Buffum Rowland Greene Royal Southwick David Buffum Jr Rowland Rathbun Benjamin Mott John [illegible] [illegible] Wm Buffum Jr William Almy Daniel [illegible] Benjamin Freeborn [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Thomas Howland Jonathan Dennis Stephen Gould Nicholas Congdon [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] John [illegible] John Wilbur [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Freeman [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Arnold Congdon [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Arnold [illegible] John Farnum [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Buffinton Jonathan Congdon [illegible] [illegible] Mary Buffinton [illegible] Howland [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Ruth [illegible] Mary [illegible] Howland [illegible] Anthony [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Congdon [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Howland [illegible] [illegible] Elizabeth [illegible] [illegible] Mary [illegible] Mary [illegible] Hannah Arnold [illegible] Buffum Hannah Gould — we conclude to hold the Quarterly Meetings of this Committee the same as the last year. — —

We appoint the following Friends a sub Committee for the ensuing year Moses Brown [illegible] Allen Jonathan Dennis William Almy Thomas Howland [illegible] Arnold Rowland Greene [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Benjamin Freeborn Rowland Rathbun [illegible] [illegible] John [illegible] Wm Buffum Jr David Buffum Jr Arnold Congdon [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Daniel Howland

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Nicholas Congdon Cornelius Howland Jonathan Congdon
John Farnum Nathan Duffield Mary B. Allen Alice
Collins Elizabeth Pitts Elizabeth Congdon Abigail Arnold
Rhoda Howland Mary A. Robinson Mary F. Anthony Anna
A. Jenkins Hannah [illegible] Ann L. Buffum Susan Kelley
Sarah Dennis Deborah Olney Mary Chase & Hannah Smith
who are requested to extend their care to the concerns of
the School and report their proceedings and the State
of the Institution to the Quarterly Meetings of this
Committee.

The Yearly Meeting having authorised and
requested the School Committee to appoint a Committee
with whom the Treasurer of the School Fund may
advise in regard to the investment of any monies
which may hereafter be paid into the Treasury — we
appoint Abel Arnold John Farnum William Almy
Arnold Congdon and Wm. J. Jenkins to constitute such
committee — and they are requested to lend such assistance
to the committee appointed by the Yearly Meeting to
receive the amount of an obligation given by the Execu-
tors and Residuary Legatees of the Will of our late
friend Obadiah Brown as they may request. —

At a Meeting of the School Committee held 4th of 8th Month 1826. Present Moses Brown Walter Allen Nicholas Congdon Arnold Congdon Nathan Buffinton Joseph Metcalf Wm Buffum Jr Wm Almy Rowland Greene Jonathan Congdon Rowland ~~Greene~~ Rathbun Arnold Aldrich Jonathan Dennis Stephen Gould Ahab Arnold Wm Jenkins Elizabeth Congdon Elizabeth Reynolds Mercy Dockray Alice Rathbun Mary B Allen Abigail Arnold. — — — —

The Sub Committee made the following Report Viz The Sub Committee inform the general Committee that the School has been continued to their satisfaction since their last Report — The average number of Scholars has been One hundred — Meetings have been Regularly kept up — the family and scholars have been favoured with general good health, and the preservation of harmony. —

Since our last Report the Books Maps &c given to this Institution by our late Friend Obadiah Brown have been Received — a catalogue of which is in the Possession of the Superintendant.

Signed in behalf of the Committee
Providence 8th Mo 1st 1826. — Rowland Greene

A proposition having been made to straighten the line between the land belonging to this Institution and the land given by the late Ebenezer K Dexter to the Town of Providence — we appoint Moses Brown Rowland Greene Jonathan Congdon William Almy Wm Jenkins & Ahab Arnold a Committee to confer with the Committee of the Town on the subject and Report to our next Meeting. ——

79 At a Meeting of the School Comittee held 11th Mo 3d 1826

Present Moses Brown William Almy Rowland Rathbun Arnold Congdon Nicholas Congdon Cornelius Howland John Farnum John Wilbur Isaac Bassett Jr Arnold Aldrich Arnold Buffum Jr Joseph Metcalf Abial Arnold Abraham Sherman Jr Stephen Gould Wm Jenkins John Osborne Wm Buffum Jr Thomas Howland Moses Farnum Daniel Howland Nathan Buffinton Rowland Greene — Alice Rathbun Anna A Jenkins Mary A Robinson Susan Ann Buffum Elizabeth Congdon Ann L Buffum Mary G Anthony & Abigail Arnold.

The Sub Committee made the following Report viz The sub Committee inform the Schools have been conducted since their last Report to their satisfaction — The family and Scholars have been favoured with general good health — Meetings have been regularly kept up and the family preserved in Unity — The average number of Scholars for the last Quarter has been One hundred & four the present number is one hundred & Eight — Fifty females & fifty eight Males.

10th Mo 31st 1826

Signed on behalf of the Committee

By Abial Arnold

The Committee concludes to visit the Schools this Morning and now adjourn to Meet at the 2d hour this afternoon.

Afternoon Met by Adjournment.

The Committee having visited the girls school in the Morning — met this afternoon and concluded to visit the boys school — which service has been accomplished to good satisfaction.

The Committee appointed at the last Meeting of this Committee to confer with a Committee of the Town

on the subject of ~~Boundary~~ straightening the line between the one belonging this Institution and that of the Town, not being ready to Report — they are continued to report to the next Meeting of this Committee. —

At a meeting of the School Committee held 2d Mo. 2d. 1827 — Present Moses Brown — Walter Allen Stephen Gould William Almy Jonathan Congdon Jonathan Dennis Ahab Arnold Daniel Howland David Buffum Jr, Rowland Rathbun Joseph Metcalf Abraham Shearman Jr, Daniel Clapp William Buffum Jr Arnold Congdon Nathaniel Pitterton Nicholas Congdon Thos Osborn Effingham L. Capron Arnold Aldrich John Wilber Moses Farnum John Farnum Wm Jenkins Alice Rathbun Anna A. Jenkins Mary B. Allen Elizabeth Reynolds Mary Shove Eunice Kelley Mary G. Anthony Abigail Arnold Dorcas B. Anthony & Hannah Dennis. —

The Sub Committee made the following Report Viz. The sub-committee report — That they have given their attention monthly to the state of the Schools and they appear to be continued to satisfaction

The present number of Scholars is One hundred & twenty seven fifty nine Females & sixty eight Males — the average number for the last three months has been One hundred & twenty. A comfortable degree of health has generally prevailed and a good degree of harmony in the family has been preserved. David Daniels & Sarah Earle have informed us that it is their expectation to leave the School at the termination of their instructive engagements. Signed on behalf of the Committee

Providence 1st Mo. 30th 1827. — Stephen Gould. —

We appoint Jonathan Congdon Jonathan Dennis Mary B. Allen & Hannah Dennis to confer with Enoch & Lydia Breed on the subject of their continuance as Superintendents another year & John Farnum Moses Brown Moses Farnum David Buffum Jr, Alice Rathbun Anna A. Jenkins & Abigail Arnold are also appointed to confer with the Teachers of the School on the subject of their remaining another year in their several stations, and to produce names if practicable to supply such vacancies as it may be necessary to fill and both committees are requested to report to a future sitting of this Committee. —

We appoint John Osborn Ahab Arnold and John Farnum a committee to settle the Treasurer & Superintendant's accounts and report to our next Meeting. —

The Committee appointed in the Sixth month last to render such assistance as the Treasurer might require in the investment of money are desired to render him assistance in the collection of debts unpaid or may hereafter be due to this Institution. —

The Committee on the subject of straightening the Line on the south side of the School lot not being ready to report are continued to report to our next Meeting. —

Adjourned to meet at half past two oclock this afternoon.

Afternoon met by adjournment.

The Committee appointed in the morning to confer with Enoch & Lydia Breed report that they are willing to continue another year from the first of Fourth month next in the station of Superintendants for three hundred fifty dollars and the privilege of sending a child one Quarter into the school — Which is acceptable. —

The subject of the proper location and arrangement of the Library claiming the consideration of this Committee it is concluded to refer the subject for the consideration of the Sub Committee who are desired to give their attention to it at their next Meeting and inform us of the progress made in the 5th month next. —

The committee appointed to confer with the Teachers Report That Abigail Bird will remain in her present station for Two hundred & fifty dollars per year with the privilege of two weeks absence and that Mary Almy will continue another year from this date for One dollar & fifty cents per Week with the same privilege of absence — & that the terms are satisfactory to this Committee. — The appointment of the second female teacher claiming our attention and a friend having offered her services in that capacity Moses Brown Wm Jenkins Mary B. Allen Mary G. Anthony & Anna A. Jenkins are desired to confer with her on the subject and to report to the Sub Committee at their next Meeting — Who are requested to take the necessary care to supply any vacancy there may be among the Teachers in the girls school. — The same Committee also report that Isaac Jones will continue in his present station fourteen Months from this date for four hundred dollars per year without any privilege of absence. They also inform that David Daniels will continue as second teacher for three months from the expiration of his present engagement at the same terms per year both of which are acceptable. — The appointment of third teacher in the boys school is referred to the Sub Committee who are requested to procure a sufficient number of teachers for that school.

At a meeting of the School Committee held 5th Mo 4th 1827. Present Moses Brown David Buffum Ahab Arnold William Almy William Buffum Jr Jonathan Congdon John Farnum Rowland Rathbun Arnold Aldrich Stephen Gould John Osborne Arnold Congdon John Wilber Abraham Shearman Jr Nicholas Congdon Nathan Buffinton Moses Farnum William Jenkins Mary B Allen Dorcas B. Anthony Abigail Arnold Mary A Robinson Alice Rathbun Mercy B Dockray Elizabeth Congdon Susan Ann Buffum Ann L Buffum David Howland & Thomas Howland.

The Sub Committee made the following report Viz. The subcommittee report that the usual attention has been given to the concerns of the School which has been continued to pretty good satisfaction. The present number of scholars is One hundred & three fifty four females and forty nine Males - the average number of scholars for the last quarter has been One hundred & eighteen - The family & scholars have been preserved in a good degree of harmony and favoured with general good health - Meetings have been regularly kept up. The subject of the regulation of the Library has received some attention and the children are receiving some of the benefits of it - the subject is still under care. Hannah Jackson having been in the girls school as a Teacher and her health having failed her and she having requested to be released, it will become necessary that a second teacher should be procured - We also inform that George Sims has been engaged as third teacher in the boys school for one year from the first of third month last at Two hundred dollars per year - he to assist the Superintendent in keeping the accounts of the Institution

Signed on behalf of the Committee

Jonathan Congdon

The Yearly Meeting having received the additional sum of Fifty thousand Dollars bequeathed by our late friend Obadiah Brown for the benefit of this Institution we have concluded to propose to the Yearly Meeting that scholars who are members of this Yearly Meeting should be admitted after the first of Seventh month next at fourteen dollars per quarter and that the Monthly Meetings have the same privilege of sending scholars that they had the last year.

The committee on the subject of straightening the line on the South of the school lot not being ready to report they are continued to report to our next Meeting — We adjourn to the third hour this afternoon. —

Afternoon met by adjournment. —

The Committee appointed to settle the accounts of the Treasurer and Superintendant made the following Report. Viz.

The subscribers having been appointed to settle the Superintendant, & Treasurer's accounts Report — That we have examined their respective accounts and herewith present an abstract of them which is respectfully submitted

Providence 5th mo 2d 1827

(Signed) John Osborne
John Farnum
Ahab Arnold.

The following report to the Yearly Meeting was read and approved and Moses Brown & Mary A Robinson are requested to sign the same on behalf of this Committee.

The Yearly Meeting Boarding School Committee Report —

That they have given their attention to the concerns of the Institution during the past year and it is satisfactory to them to be able to state to the Yearly Meeting that it con continues to afford an encouraging prospect of usefulness to the Society.

The school is still under the charge of Enoch and Lydia Breed as Superintendents — Isaiah Jones David Daniels George Jones Abigail Peirce and Mary Almy are employed as Teachers. — The average number of scholars for the year past has been One hundred and ten — Meetings for Worship have been regularly held ~~[illegible]~~ and have frequently been attended by some of the Committee — The family has been preserved in harmony and the general conduct and improvements of the children have been satisfactory.

The account of the Treasurer of the School Fund has been received and audited. The receipts for board and tuition together with the income of the Fund have proved about equal to the expenditures. It is again concluded to admit one child from each Monthly Meeting six months or two children three months each free of expence provided their term be accomplished within the year succeeding the Yearly Meeting.

The Yearly Meeting having received the additional sum of Fifty thousand Dollars the annual income of which was bequeathed for the benefit of this Institution by our late Friend Obadiah Brown — we have concluded to propose to the Yearly Meeting that children who are members of this Yearly Meeting be admitted after the first of Seventh month next at Fourteen Dollars per quarter and that the Committee consider such surplus as may remain to be at their disposal in aid of the charitable fund of the Institution having a prudent regard to the present and probable general expences thereof.

We are desirous that it may be generally understood, and particularly by the committees of Monthly Meetings

—that all applications for the admission of children who are not members of our Society must be made to the acting Committee at Providence and that all applications for for the admission of boys who are members, if over the age of fourteen years must be made to the same Committee.—

We feel it to be our duty again to recommend, to the attention of Parents and others having the care of children—and to the Committees of Monthly Meetings—the previous advices of this Committee on the interesting subject of plainness—and particularly the Minutes accompanying our Report in 1825 which were printed and distributed by direction of the Yearly Meeting.

Providence 5th Mo 4th 1827

Signed on behalf of the
Committee by
Moses Brown
Mary A. Robinson.

It appearing by the report of the Sub Committee that a Teacher is wanted in the girls School William Almy Thomas Howland Elizabeth Congdon Mary A Robinson and Mary B Allen are appointed to take the necessary care to supply the vacancy untill the next meeting of the Sub Committee—who are then desired to see that a teacher is procured.

The time having nearly expired for which David Daniels was engaged as a Teacher and he having informed this Committee that he expects to leave the Institution—and Moses Mitchell having been named for an assistant Teacher we appoint Moses Brown and Jonathan Congdon to agree with him if his services can be obtained at a reasonable price—and they are desired to report to the next Meeting of the Sub Committee—and said Committee are requested to take the necessary care to engage a Teacher.

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The subject of keeping the accounts of this Institution being under consideration it is referred to the Sub Committee who are desired to take such Measures as may appear necessary to insure their being properly kept. —

Ahab Arnold & Wm Jenkins are appointed to cause Insurance to be renewed for Twenty five thousand Dollars on the School house. —

At a meeting of the School Committee held at Newport 6th Mo 15th 1827 present Twenty nine Members

Stephen A Chase is appointed Clerk for this time the Clerk of the Committee being absent.

The Yearly Meeting having appointed the following friends as their Boarding School Committee for the ensuing year viz — Moses Brown David Buffum Benjamin Mott William Almy Edward Cobb Daniel Howland Jonathan Dennis William Slade Nicholas Congdon Samuel F. Hussey Abijah Cohan John Wilbur Wm Jenkins Walter Allen Joseph Metcalf James Tucker Jonathan Congdon John Farnum Rowland Greene David Buffum Jr Wm Buffum Jr Benjamin Freeborn Stephen Gould Effingham L Capron John Brown Thomas Howland Stephen A Chase Arnold Congdon Nathan Buffinton Rowland Rathbun Royal Southwick Moses Sleeper John Osborn Daniel Knapp Abraham Sherman Jr Stephen Jones Clark Shove Cornelius Howland Thomas Fry Silas Earle Moses Farnum Ahab Arnold Isaac Bassett Jr Richard Dame Ebenezer Pope David Rodman Thomas Anthony Eunice Mitchell Avis Keene Mary Buffinton Rhoda Howland Elizabeth Barker Mercy Dockray Phebe Cobb Ruth Rodman Mary B Allen Phebe Howland Letitia Anthony Hannah Collins Mary A. Robinson Anna A Jenkins

Eunice Kelly Abigail Arnold Elizabeth Congdon Dorcas B Anthony Ann L Buffum Mary G Anthony Elizabeth Reynolds Hannah Dennis Deborah Otis Alice Rathbun Susan Howland Susanna Gardner Elizabeth Rotch Sarah Barnard Mary Shove Mary Chase Hannah Arnold Susan Ann Buffum & Hannah Gould Jr. ——

We conclude to hold the Quarterly Meetings of this Committee the same as last year —

We appoint William Jenkins Clerk of this committee for the year ensuing. ——

We appoint the following friends a sub committee for the more particular government of the school for the ensuing year according to our former Minutes Viz Moses Brown Walter Allen Jonathan Dennis William Almy Thomas Howland Ahab Arnold Rowland Greene William Jenkins Joseph Metcalf Benjamin Freeborn Rowland Rathbun Abraham Shearman Jr John Osborne William Buffum Jr David Buffum Jr Arnold Congdon Stephen Gould Isaac Bassett Jr Stephen A Chase Daniel Howland Nicholas Congdon Cornelius Howland Jonathan Congdon John Farnum Nathan Buffinton Thomas Anthony Clark Shove David Rodman Mary B Allen Alice Rathbun Elizabeth Rotch Elizabeth Congdon Abigail Arnold Rhoda Howland Mary A Robinson Mary G Anthony Anna A Jenkins Hannah Dennis Ann L Buffum Eunice Kelly Avis Keene Deborah Otis Mary Chase Hannah Gould Jr & Hannah Arnold Eliza Reynolds who are desired to extend their care accordingly to the concerns of the School and Report their proceedings and the state of the School to the Quarterly Meetings of this Committee — any seven of whom to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business and any three being met at the proper time are authorised to make a Report to this Committee. ——

At a Meeting of the School Committee held 8th Mo. 3d 1827 – Present Moses Brown Ahab Arnold David Rodman Walter Allen Abraham Shearman Jr Isaac Bassett Jr John Wilbur Arnold Congdon Wm Buffum Jr Rowland Rathbun David Buffum Jr Cornelius Howland Nathan Buffinton Joseph Metcalf Daniel Howland Thomas Anthony William Almy Clarke Shove Jonathan Congdon – William Jenkins Elizabeth Congdon Elizabeth Reynolds Alice Rathbun Mercy Dockray Ann L Buffum ~~Daniel Howland~~ and Stephen Gould.

The Sub Committee made the following Report viz

To the School Committee

The Sub Committee inform that four only of their number being present they are not able to the business presented for their consideration and therefore Report – That that the present number of Scholars is Ninety Nine fifty three females and forty six Males – The Scholars and family have been favoured general good health and are preserved in a good degree of harmony – Meetings have been regularly kept up! – Three scholars have come to School this morning which were not placed on the List – there are some applications for admittance which we are under the necessity of referring to the general Committee for decision

Providence 7th Mo 31st 1827.

Signed on behalf of the Committee

Moses Brown

One of the Committee on the proposition for straightning the Line on the south of the School Lot informs ~~Report~~ that some attention has been given to the subject – but they are not ready to make a full report – they are continued to report to our next Meeting. —

Adjourned to the second hour this afternoon —

Met by adjournment — A few Friends were named in the morning to confer with Sarah Fry on the subject of her continuing as an assistant Teacher — they inform that she is willing to Continue in that station three months longer at Eight Shillings per Week — which is acceptable to us — and the sub Committee are desired to take the necessary care to provide a Teacher to supply her place at the expiration of her present engagement. ———

This Committee at their last Meeting having made it necessary for seven members of the Sub Committee to be present at the meetings of that Committee to form a Quorum for the transaction of business — and it appearing by the last Report of the Sub Committee that some inconvenience may result from the limitation to that number — we have concluded that in future Five be considered a sufficient number to transact business in the meetings of that Committee —— . ——

At a meeting of the School Committee held 11th Mo 2d 1827. Present Moses Brown David Buffum Walter Allen Daniel Clapp John Farnum Royal Southwick Abraham Shearman Jr Thomas Howland Nicholas Congdon William Almy [illegible] Rowland Greene Ahab Arnold Clark Shove David Rodman Nathan Buffinton Cornelius Howland William Buffum Jr Jonathan Congdon Rowland Rathbun Moses Farnum John Osborne Ephm Jenkins — Hannah Arnold Mary A Robinson Alice Rathbun Mary B Allen Ann L Buffum & Deborah Otis.

The sub Committee made the following Report. For the sub-committee Report — That the present number of scholars is One hundred & ten — sixty of which are females and fifty males — Lydia B Allen has entered the School as a teacher at One dollar & fifty cents per week untill 2d Month next. Mary Almy one of the teachers has been ill with a fever and has gone home for the recovery of her strength before she returns to the School — except this instance the School has been and remains to be remarkably healthy — The average number of scholars for the last quarter has been One hundred & ten —

The school has been kept up regularly — and as far as appears in an orderly manner — and also the studies in like manner.

Signed in behalf of the Committee

30th of 10th 1827. — — — — Moses Brown —

Rowland Greene and Lloyd Greene having manifested a desire to comply with the will of their late uncle Sylvester Wickes — so far as to convey to this institution, that portion of the estate in Pomfret which has come into their possession as heirs at law by judgment of Court — and there being an applicator for the purchase of the same — We appoint Moses Brown Nicholas Congdon John Osborne and Daniel Clapp to advise with them on the subjects — and to make such final disposition of the property as it may appear will best promote the interests of the Institution — and Report when accomplished.

83 Adjourned to meet at half past two o'clock this afternoon

Afternoon met by adjournment. —
The Clerk of the committee being necessarily absent Stephen A Chase is appointed for this time.

It is the conclusion of this Committee that David Buffum William Buffum William Rotch Jr Samuel Rodman William Almy & Thomas Howland surviving trustees to whom our friend Moses Brown conveyed the lot ~~#~~ of land in Providence upon which Friends Boarding School House now stands ~~by his~~ deed dated be advised and required and they are hereby advised and required to make, duly execute, and deliver to the "Yearly Meeting of Friends for New England", in their corporate capacity, a good and valid conveyance of all their right title and interest in the lot of land aforesaid with the buildings thereon — whether the same be in trust or otherwise — to and for the uses & purposes for which the same was to them conveyed, and agreeably to the conditions and limitations upon which they received the same and Abraham Shearman William Perkins Walter Allen Stephen Gould Rowland Greene and Stephen A Chase are appointed on our behalf to take the necessary care that the same be executed accordingly and the same to have recorded and report when the same is accomplished. Our friend Moses Brown being present in this committee and offering to make & execute such other or further conveyancy as shall be necessary to confirm the title of the lot aforesaid — with the buildings thereon — to the said Yearly Meeting to and for the uses for which he originally conveyed the same — This committee accept the offer aforesaid and the committee above named are requested to see that the same be done accordingly. —

We have this afternoon visited the Schools to good satisfaction

At a meeting of the School Committee held 2d mo 8th 1828.

Present Moses Brown Daniel Howland John Wilbour Daniel Clapp Wattie Allen Benjamin Freeborn John Farnum Rowland Greene Nicholas Congdon Isaac Bassett 2d Nathan Buffinton Moses Farnum Rowland Rathbun Jonathan Dennis Silas Earle Thomas Anthony David Buffum Jr William Buffum 2d Jonathan Congdon Stephen Gould Clark Shove Stephen A Chase John Osborne William Slade Abijah Chase Arnold Congdon Ahab Arnold William Almy Thomas Howland Royal Southwick Effingham L Capron Wm Jenkins Alice Rathbun Abigail Arnold Hannah Dennis Mary B Allen Avis Keene Elizabeth Congdon Susan Howland Mercy Dockray Mary Chase Mary Buffinton, Mary Shove Ann L Buffum

The Sub Committee made the following Report viz That the Schools have been kept up and we think to pretty good satisfaction, the average number of Scholars for the last Quarter is One hundred & thirty Eight – viz Sixty six Females & Seventy two Males – The school at the present time is large the whole number being One hundred & fifty five Seventy four Females & Eighty one Males – Since our last Report the general health of the Scholars and Family has been good and we think a good degree of harmony has prevailed amongst them – The meetings have been Regularly kept up.

Providence 2d mo 5th 1828

Signed on behalf of the Committe

Stephen Gould

This being the time for the Annual appointment of Superintendents and Teachers – we appoint Jonathan Dennis William Buffum 2d Jonathan Congdon Moses Brown Alice Rathbun Mary B Allen and Mary Chase to confer with the Superintendents

On the subject of their continuing in their present station another year - and Report to a future sitting of this Committee - We also appoint Benjamin Freeborn John Osborne Rowland Greene & Stephen A Chase to confer with the Teachers in the boys School respecting their continuance and Report to a future sitting.

We appoint Ahab Arnold John Farnum Arnold Congdon & William Jenkins to settle the Treasurer and Superintendents accounts and Report to our next Meeting. —

Adjourned to the 2d hour this afternoon —

Afternoon met by adjournment —

The Committee appointed in the morning to confer with Enoch and Lydia Breed Report - That they are willing to continue another year in the station of Superintendents of this Institution from the first of 4th Month next - for three hundred fifty four Dollars per year - Which is acceptable. —

The Committee appointed to confer with the Teachers in the boys School Report — That Isaiah Jones agrees to continue in his present station one month after the conclusion of his present engagement at the same salary he now receives — and that George Jones is willing to ~~remain~~ continue three months from the first of 3d Month next at the rate of Two hundred & fifty Dollars per year (the Committee reserving to themselves the right of supplying his place at any time within that period) — and that Moses Mitchell will continue as Assistant Teacher for Two hundred Dollars per year for one year from the expiration of his present engagement — Which is acceptable. —

The following friends are appointed to confer with the female Teachers on the subject of their continuance another year viz - Moses Brown Thomas Howland William Almy Rowland Greene Abigail Arnold Alice Rathbun, & Hannah Dennis.

The above named Committee Report - That Abigail Peirce has agreed to remain in her present Station for one year for Two hundred & fifty Dollars and the privilege of three Weeks absence - and that Mary Almy and Lydia B. Allen have agreed to continue in the Station of Assistant Teachers at One hundred Dollars each for the year. —

The Sub Committee are desired to take the necessary care to supply such vacancies as may occur among the Teachers in the Schools.

At a meeting of the School Committee held 5th Mo 2d 1828.

Present Moses Brown Ahab Arnold John Farnum Walter Allen John Osborne Benjamin Freeborn William Almy Nathan Buffinton Rowland Rathbun Stephen Gould Nicholas Congdon Joseph Metcalf William Slade Abraham Shearman Jr Effingham L Capron Arnold Congdon William Buffum Jr Thomas Howland Daniel Howland William Jenkins Mary B Allen Abigail Arnold Elizabeth Congdon Alice Rathbun Hannah Gould Jr Mary Shove 2 Ann L Buffum.

The Sub Committee made the following Report Viz "The Sub Committee Report - That the School has been continued through the last Quarter to pretty good satisfaction - The general health of the Family and Scholars has been good - Mary Almy one of the Teachers having been confined with a fever but is now on the recovery - The Meeting in the Institution has been regularly kept up - and a good degree of harmony has subsisted among the Family and Scholars - The present number of Scholars is One hundred and fourteen sixty four females and fifty Males - the average number for the last Quarter has been One hundred & thirty nine about an equal number of each sex. Isaiah Jones has been engaged as principal Teacher untill Second Month next at four hundred & fifty Dollars per year and Joseph Hoag has been agreed with as an assistant Teacher at Ten Dollars per month; - George Jones expecting to leave the Institution at the time of the ensuing Yearly Meeting.

4th Mo 29th 1828. Signed on behalf of the Committee
Moses Brown

The Committee appointed to settle the Treasurer and Superintendant's accounts Report as follows

The Committee appointed to settle Treasurer and Superintendant's accounts have paid attention to their appointment and herewith present them adjusted
Providence 4th Mo 29th 1828. On behalf of the Committee
Ahab Arnold
To the School Committee. —

The subject of proposing to the Yearly Meeting a future appropriation of the income of the Funds given for the benefit of this Institution having been introduced for consideration, We appoint Abraham Shearman 2d William Almy Benjamin Freeborn John Osborne Thomas Howland John Freeman Mary B Allen Alice Rathbun & Hannah Gould as a committee to take the subject into consideration and report their judgment to a future sitting — they are also requested to prepare a Report to the Yearly Meeting.

Adjourned to the 3d hour this afternoon —

Afternoon met by adjournment.

The following Report to the Yearly Meeting was read and approved and Moses Brown and Elizabeth Langdon are desired to sign the same on behalf of this Committee. (Viz)

The boarding School Committee Report — That they have given their attention to the concerns of the institution during the past year and feel encouraged to believe that the expectations of Friends in regard to its usefulness to the children and youth of Society will be in good measure realized.

The school is continued under the charge of Enoch and Lydia Breed as Superintendants — Isaiah Jones George Jones Moses Mitchel Abigail Peirce Mary Almy and Lydia B Allen as Teachers. — The average number of scholars for the past year has been One hundred & twenty one — their general conduct and improvement have been satisfactory to the committee — Meetings for worship have been regularly held and occasionally attended by some of the Committee. The Family has been preserved in a good degree of harmony —

The account of the Treasurer of the School Funds has been received and audited — and the state of the Fund is such that the Committee think it safe to propose to the Yearly Meeting that children who are members of this Yearly Meeting be admitted after 1st of 7th Month at a rate [illegible] Dollars and a half per Quarter, and that the several Monthly Meetings have the privilege of sending one child through the year, or two children six months each, free of expense — and that should any surplus remain that the Committee may consider it safe to appropriate, that it may be at their disposal in aid of the Charitable Funds of the Institution;

The Committee feel it to be their duty again to recommend to the attention of Parents and others having the care of children and to committees of Monthly Meetings their previous advices on the interesting subject of Plainness, and particularly the minutes accompanying their report in 1825, which were printed and distributed by direction of the Yearly Meeting.

Providence 5th Mo 2d 1828. Signed on behalf of the Committee
By. Moses Brown
Elizabeth Congdon

The Superintendant is authorised to place the balance due for the schooling of Sarah Austin to the account of the Charitable Fund.

Ahab Arnold is appointed to cause Insurance for Twenty two thousand Dollars to be renewed on the buildings belonging to this Institution.

We appoint William Almy John Osborn William Jenkins John Farnum Arnold Congdon & Ahab Arnold a committee to procure a suitable person to keep the Books and accounts of this Institution in a proper manner and report to our next Meeting.

9o/ At a Meeting of the School Committee held in Newport 6th Mo 21st 1828 – Present Twenty Seven members.

William Jenkins is appointed Clerk for the ensuing year

The Yearly Meeting having appointed the same Friends (with the exception of our late Friend Elizabeth Rotch deceased) who composed this Committee the last year – to the same service for the present year – We appoint the following Friends ~~as~~ the acting Committee for the more immediate government of the School for the present year according to former Minutes Moses Brown Walter Allen Jonathan Dennis William Almy Thomas Howland Abel Arnold Rowland Greene William Jenkins Joseph Metcalf – Benjamin Freeborn Rowland Rathbun Abraham Shearman Jr John Osborn William Buffum Jr – David Buffum Jr Arnold Congdon Stephen Gould Isaac Bassett Jr Stephen A Chase Daniel Howland Nicholas Congdon Cornelius Howland Jonathan Congdon John Farnum Nathan Buffinton – Thomas Anthony Clarke Shove David Rodman – Mary B. Allen Alice Rathbun Elizabeth Congdon – Abigail Arnold Rhoda Howland Mary A. Robinson Mary G Anthony Anna A Jenkins Hannah Dennis Ann E Buffum Eunice Kelley Lucy Keene Deborah Otis Mary Chase Hannah Gould 2d Hannah Arnold & Elizabeth Reynolds – who are desired to extend their care to the concerns of the Institution and Report their proceedings and the state of the School to this Committee at ~~our~~ Quarterly Meetings.

It is our conclusion that the meetings of this Committee be held the same as through the last year –

At a Meeting of the School Committee held 8th Mo 8th 1825

Present Moses Brown William Almy Stephen Gould John Farnum Nicholas Congdon, Rowland Rathbun John Osborne Arnold Congdon Rowland Greene, William Buffum Jr Abial Arnold David Buffum Jr Clark Shove Thomas Anthony Effingham L Capron, William Jenkins Alice Rathbun Mercy Dockray & Mary G Anthony.

The Sub Committee made the following Report — Viz The Sub Committee Report — That they have given their attention to the School, which has been continued to pretty good satisfaction, — the health of the Family and Scholars has been generally good & a good degree of harmony prevailed among them, — The average number of Scholars for the last Quarter is ninety three. the number in the School at this time is ninety nine sixty Females and thirty nine Males,

Providence 8th Mo 5th 1825. Signed on behalf of the Committee
Moses Brown, —

Abial Arnold informs that he has obtained insurance on the buildings belonging to this Institution, agreeable to appointment, in the 5th month. —

The Committee appointed in the 5th month to take the necessary care on the subject of the [illegible] Report — that some care has been given to this appointment they are continued and desired to ~~report~~ give further attention to the subject and Report to a next Meeting

The Committee having come to the conclusion to visit the Schools this afternoon we adjourn untill after its accomplishment.

Afternoon met by adjournment.

The Committee have visited the Schools to good satisfaction,

At a Meeting of the School Committee held 11th Mo 7th 1828
Present Moses Brown William Almy Walter Allen Daniel Clapp Nathan Buffinton, Isaac Bassett Thomas Anthony Stephen Gould Thomas Howland Rowland Greene John Osborne Joseph Metcalf Abijah Chase Cornelius Howland David Buffum Jr William Buffum Jr Jonathan Dennis Jonathan Congdon David Rodman John Farnum Abel Arnold Effingham L Capron William Jenkins Mary A Robinson Eunice Kelley Hannah Dennis Anna Rotch Mary Chase Ruth Rodman Mary [illegible] Abigail Arnold Mary Shove Mary B Allen Elizabeth Congdon Ann E Buffum Anna A Jenkins.

The Sub Committee made the following Report viz At a Sub Committee meeting the 4th of 11th Month 1828 we find the present number of Scholars are Eighty Six females and Seventy Males making 156 in the whole

The School has been duly attended and the Meetings kept up the health generally good — one young man now in the Infirmary from South Kingston taken by raising blood who is in a hopeful way of recovery —

The Family appear to be in a good degree of harmony — the average number of Scholars for the last Quarter is One Hundred & twenty Eight. —

For the Committee Moses Brown

The Committee having been engaged in the consideration of subjects connected with the welfare of the Institution adjourned to meet at half past two oclock this afternoon

Afternoon met by adjournment —

The subject of obtaining suitable persons to keep the accounts ~~of the Institution~~ and to render other assistance in the Institution, having claimed the consideration of the committee in the Morning and Stephen and Hannah Gould having been proposed as suitable persons a few Friends were named to confer with Stephen on the subject who have presented the following Report

Viz The Committee have had a conference with Stephen Gould and have concluded for him and his Wife to come into the Institution, if she on his further conference with her, remains disposed to come — which they are to do in about two weeks — at the rate of Two hundred and Fifty Dollars per year — both to lend their aid in the Institution — Stephen to have the care of, and to keep the books and accounts and the care of the Library and to render other neceſsary aſsistance — His Wife to render occasional aſsistance in the sewing school and to afford such other care and aſsistance in the Institution as in the judgment of the acting Committee will tend to its usefulneſs and Welfare." — which is acceptable to this Committee. —

Moses Brown and Stephen Gould are appointed to procure such additional Mathematical and Astronomical apparatus for the schools as may appear to be Neceſsary. —

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At a Meeting of the School Committee held 2d Month 16th 1829.

Present Moses Brown Benjamin Freeborn Rowland Greene, Walter Allen Jonathan Dennis Abel Arnold William Almy Stephen A Chase Abraham Sherman Jr David Buffum Jr [illegible] Isaac Bassett Thomas Anthony Silas Earle Arnold Congdon Clark, Rhodes Rowland Rathbun Nicholas Congdon Ruth Allen Moses Farnum Nathan Buffinton Stephen Cornell [illegible] William Jenkins Alice Rathbun Mary Chase Avis Keene Mary B Anthony Hannah Dennis Elizabeth Congdon Abigail Arnold Mary B Allen Deborah Otis Elizabeth Reynolds & Mary Rhodes

John Wilbur

The Sub Committee made the following Report. Viz. That the School has been continued to good satisfaction, the general health of the family and scholars has been good and a good degree of harmony prevailed amongst them. The School has been larger since our last Report the average number of Scholars for the last Quarter is One hundred & Seventy eight the present number is One hundred & Eighty four — Eighty six females and ninety eight Males.

[illegible] & Hannah [illegible] agreeable to arrangement with the last general Committee are now in the Institution — an additional assistant Teacher being necessary — the boys School Thomas Earle Jr has been engaged for two months by their Committee

Abigail Pierce has informed us that she does not propose to engage as Teacher for another year

Signed on behalf of the Committee

Moses Brown

We appoint William Almy Benjamin Freeborn Rowland Greene Moses Brown Jonathan Dennis David Buffum Jr Stephen A Chase [illegible] Ruth Allen Deborah Otis Alice Rathbun Mary Chase a Committee to consider of and propose suitable Friends for Superintendents of this Institution for the year ensuing and Report to a future sitting. —

Abraham Sherman Jr
Arnold Congdon John Farnum John Wilbur Isaac Bassett
Moses Farnum Rowland Rathbun Mary B. Allen Avis Keene
Abigail Arnold Elizabeth Congdon Hannah Dennison
Elizabeth Reynolds are appointed to take into consideration
& to propose suitable Teachers in the Schools for the ensuing
year and Report to a future sitting. —

We adjourn to meet at the third hour this
afternoon.

Afternoon met by adjournment. —

The Committee appointed in the morning to take
into consideration ~~—~~ the subject of providing
suitable Superintendants have the following Report
which acceptable to this Committee — Viz

The Committee
appointed in the morning to propose suitable persons
for Superintendants of the Institution for the year
ensuing have conferred with Enoch and Sophia
Breed on that subject and find them disposed
to engage the another year in their station — on
the same rate of compensation as they received the
last year — and they therefore recommend that they
be re-engaged on those terms and conditions.

On behalf of the Committee

Moses Brown
Mary Chase. —

The Committee appointed to propose Teachers have
made the following Report which is acceptable.
Viz. The Committee on the subject of Teachers
Report that they have conferred with those now
employed in the Institution in that station and
find that Isaiah Jones is willing to remain
for three months only — for which time he would
expect to receive the same compensation as at present.
Moses Mitchel, whose time of service
expires in the 6th month is not willing to

to renew the engagement for another year — but would would confer with the Committee in the 5th month — Joseph Hoag whose time of service expires in the 6th month would contract for another year at a salary of one hundred and fifty Dollars and an allowance of two weeks absence to visit her friends. Abigail Peirce informed us of her conclusion to resign her present situation in the Institution — but would remain for a further time of three months or till her place could be supplied by the Committee at her present salary — Mary Almy is desirous of leaving the Institution. Lydia B Allen is also desirous of leaving but expressed a willingness to remain till her place could be supplied.

On behalf of the Committee

2d Mo 6th 1829 Abraham Shearman Jr

To the General Committee. Elizabeth Congdon

The acting Committee are desired to take the necessary care to procure such Teachers as may be needed to supply any vacancy that may occur and report to the next meeting of this Committee.

Abial Arnold John Farnum Arnold Congdon & William Jenkins are appointed to settle the Treasurer and Superintendents accounts and report in the 5th month next. —

At a Meeting of the School Committee held 5th Mo 8th 1829.
Present Moses Brown William Almy Stephen A Chace Jonathan Congdon Nicholas Congdon Benjamin Mott Stephen Gould Rowland Rathbun Cornelius Howland Abijah Chace Arnold Congdon Nathan Buffinton Abraham Shearman Jr Jonathan Dennis David Rodman Walter Allen John Farnum Ahab Arnold Rowland Greene William Jenkins Daniel Howland Moses Farnum Thomas Howland Mary B Allen Mary A Robinson Mary B Dockray Eliza Rathbun Elizabeth Congdon Hannah Dennis Hannah Gould for Susan Ann Buffum & Abigail Arnold. —

The Sub Committee made the following Report. Viz That they have given attention to the School since the last Report — That the schools have been regularly attended and meetings for Worship in the family kept up. The family and scholars have been generally healthy and a good degree of harmony prevailed — The average number of Scholars for the last Quarter has been One hundred & thirty eight — The Committee have attended to the service of supplying vacancies arising from the resignation of Teachers. — They have agreed with Benjamin B. Hussey to take the place of Josiah Jones at Four hundred and fifty Dollars per Annum and with Deborah Ramsdell to take the place of Abigail Peirce upon terms not yet fully settled. Neither of them are yet in the School — the former informs by letter that he will come as soon as the Nine Partners Boarding School Committee can supply his place he having declined renewing his engagement with that institution, and Moses Sisson informs that Deborah Ramsdell may be expected about the time of the ensuing Yearly Meeting. They have also contracted with Sarah Fry to serve as a Teacher one year in the girls School at Eighty Dollars. —

Signed on behalf of the Committee

Providence
5th Mo 5th 1829. —
Moses Brown

The Treasurer is Requested to allow to Rowland Greene fifty three Dollars Forty seven cents being the amt. of money paid by him to the heirs of his sister Margaret Arnold — Who have claimed their proportion of the income received by this Institution from the Farm bequeathed to it by our late friend Sylvester Wickes. —

Agreeably with the verbal advice of this Committee at our last meeting Rowland and Lloyd Greene have disposed of the proportion of the Farm bequeathed for the benefit of the Charitable Fund of this School the fee of which had become vested in them by a legal decision in the State of Connecticut — in a suit instituted by the other heirs at law of our late friend Sylvester Wickes. They having paid to Moses Brown Treasurer of the School Fund Asa Dennis' Note endorsed by Joseph Clapp dated 4th Mo 1st 1829 for Six hundred & fifty Dollars payable on demand which is satisfactory — it is our conclusion that this sum be held by the Treasurer as a part of the Charitable Fund. —

Abraham Shearman Jr, Thomas Howland Stephen A Chase Mary B Allen Abigail Arnold Mary A Robinson & Hannah Gould Jr, are appointed to prepare a Report to the Yearly Meeting and present to a future sitting.

Adjourned to the third hour this afternoon.

Afternoon met by adjournment. —

The Committee appointed in the Morning presented the following Report to the Yearly Meeting which was read and approved and Moses Brown & Mary B. Allen are Requested to sign the same on behalf of this Committee —

To ye. The Boarding School Committee Report. That in pursuance of their appointment they have paid attention to the superintendance of the Institution for the ~~past~~ year past — and believe that its various concerns have been conducted in accordance with the designs of Friends in its establishment and meetings for worship have been regularly kept. —

The school has been conducted during the last year under the care of Enoch and Lydia Breed as Superintendants who still remain in that capacity and Stephen & Hannah Gould have been usefully engaged as assistants in the cares of the Institution for a few months past — Isaiah Jones Moses Mitchell Joseph Hoag Abigail Peirce Mary Almy Lydia B. Alle & Sarah Fry have been engaged as Teachers during most of the year ~~past~~ — Several of these have left or are about leaving the School and the Committee have ~~made arrangem~~ making arrangements to supply their places —

The greatest number of Scholars at any one time as reported to this Committee was One hundred & eighty four the average number during the year One hundred and thirty five — and the good conduct & improvement manifested has been generally satisfactory to the Committee. —

The accounts of the Treasurer of the School Fund and of the Superintendant have been received & audited and the state of the Fund is such that the Committee think it safe to propose to the Yearly Meeting that children who are members of this Yearly Meeting continue to be admitted at twelve Dollars and a half per Quarter, and that the several Monthly Meetings again have the privilege of sending one child through the year or two children six months each free of expense — and that when from any peculiarity of circumstances the committees of ~~the~~ the Monthly Meetings may consider it desirable to send a child for three Months only they have the liberty of doing it — provided that no more than two children be at the Institution at one time from the same Monthly Meeting on this privilege — And being advised that the two Monthly Meetings on Nantucket have been united into one Meeting — the committee after considering this circumstance — propose that the united Meeting have the same privilege of sending children

109 to the School as has ~~been~~ heretofore been enjoyed by the two monthly Meetings separately.

~~It is our conclusion~~

Signed on behalf of the Committee—
By Moses Brown
Mary B. Allen.

It is our conclusion that no scholar shall be entitled to receive any allowance for travelling expences who shall come to the school for a less term of ~~time~~ than six Months— and the clerk is requested to ~~inform the~~ furnish the three eastern Quarterly Meetings with a copy of this Minute—

The subject of extending the means of instruction in this school having been introduced to our consideration we appoint Moses Brown Abraham Sherman Jr William Almy Stephen A Chase Thomas Howland Stephen Gould Nathan Buffinton & Wm Jenkins to make inquiry by correspondence or otherwise for a person competent to teach higher branches of learning ~~than~~ have heretofore been taught in this Institution in connection with ~~the branches~~ those now taught and report to a future Meeting

Abiel Arnold is appointed to obtain a renewal of the Insurance on the buildings of the Institution and the Treasurer is requested to furnish him with the amount of the premium

At a Meeting of the School Committee held in Newport 6 mo 19th 1829 Present thirty members

William Jenkins is appointed Clerk for the ensuing year.

The Yearly Meeting have appointed the following friends as their School Committee for the year ensuing Viz Moses Brown William Almy Edward Cobb Daniel Howland Rowland Greene Jonathan Dennis William Slade Nicholas Congdon Samuel F. Hussey Elijah Chace John Wilbur William Jenkins Walter Allen Joseph Metcalf James Tucker Jonathan Congdon John Farnum David Buffum Benjamin Freeborn Stephen Gould Effingham L Capron Francis [illegible] Benjamin Mott John Brown Thomas Howland Stephen A Chace Arnold Congdon Rowland Rathbun Moses Hussey John Osborne Daniel Clapp Abraham Shearman Jr Stephen Jones Thomas Jones Clark Shove Cornelius Howland Tristram Fry Silas Earle Moses Farnum Ahab Arnold Isaac Bassett Jr Ebenezer Pope David Rodman Thomas Anthony William Reynolds Sarah Jones Daniel Johnson Samuel C Tobey Avis Keene Mary Buffinton Rhoda Howland Elizabeth Barker Mercy Dockray Mary P Hazard Phebe Cobb of Gorham Ruth Rodman Mary B Allen Abigail Robinson Hannah Collins Mary A Robinson Anna A Jenkins Abigail Arnold Elizabeth Congdon Elizabeth Reynolds Hannah Dennis Deborah Otis Alice Rathbun Susan Howland Susanna Gardner Rachel Gardner Sarah Barnard Mary [illegible] Mary Chace of Salem Susan Ann Buffum Hannah Gould Jr Mary F Brown Alice Chace of Ware Miriam Newhall Mary G Anthony Sarah R Shove Elizabeth A Osborne.

We appoint the following friends a Sub Committee to have the more particular charge and government of the School through the year during the recess of this Committee ~~or~~ Viz - Moses Brown William Almy Daniel Howland Rowland Greene Thomas Howland Walter Allen Abraham Shearman Jr William Jenkins ~~Rowland~~ Rowland Rathbun Nicholas Congdon Ahab Arnold

Thomas Anthony Arnold Congdon Isaac Jones John Farnum Samuel B Tobey John Wilbur Stephen Gould Jos Metcalf William Reynolds David Buffum Jonathan Congdon David Rodman Benjamin Freeborn John Osborne Cornelius Howland Mary B Allen Mary D Hazard Alice Rathbun Hannah Gould Jr, Elizabeth A Osborne Susan Ann Buffum Sarah B. Shove Elizabeth Congdon Ruth Rodman Anna A Jenkins Elizabeth Reynolds Abigail Arnold Mary A Robinson Abigail Robinson Rhoda Howland and they are desired to report this proceedings together with the state of the School to the Quarterly Meetings of this Committee. —

We have concluded that our Quarterly Meetings be held at the same time as the last year. —

At a Meeting of the School committee 8th mo 7th 1829. —

Present Moses Brown, Cornelius Howland, Rowland Rathbun, Nicholas Congdon, Thomas Anthony, Moses Farnum, David Buffum, William Reynolds, Obadiah Brown, Joseph Metcalf, Abraham Sherman Jr, Stephen Gould, Obadiah Arnold, Walter Allen, Jonathan Dennis, John Wilbur, John Farnum, William Jenkins, Thomas Howland, Rowland Greene, Hannah Dennis, Rhoda Howland, Hannah Gould Jr, Ruth Rodman, Elizabeth Reynolds, Mary B. Allen, & Alice Rathbun. —

The sub-committee made the following Report — Vizt —

"To the School committee. —

The sub-committee report, that the School has been continued to satisfaction & are now under the charge of Benjamin Cuffee & Deborah Ramsdell as principal teachers. — Meetings have been regularly kept up and the family preserved in harmony and favoured with general health. — The present Number of Schollars is Ninety nine. — Sixty females & thirty nine Males — The average number for the last Quarter, One Hundred and two. —

Providence 8th Mo 4th 1829. —

Signed on behalf of the Committee
Moses Brown

Ahab Arnold informs that he has obtained a renewal of Insurance agreeable to appointment at our last Meeting

Adjourned to 2 OClock this Afternoon.

Afternoon met pursuant to adjournment

No further business appearing to require the attention of the Committee at this time it was concluded to occupy a portion of the Afternoon in visiting the Schools. — which visits were performed to our satisfaction. —

At a Meeting of the School Committee 11th Mo 6th 1829. —

Present Moses Brown, William Almy Jr. Daniel Howland, Rowland Greene Thomas Anthony, Abraham Sherman Jr. Isaac Bassett, David Buffum, William Reynolds, Nicholas Congdon, Joseph Metcalf, Rowland Rathbun, Benjamin Freeborn, David Rodman John Farnum, Stephen Gould, Ahab Arnold, Moses Farnum, Daniel Clapp, Francis Taber, Samuel Boyd Tobey. — Elizabeth Congdon, Mary Hazard, Abigail Arnold Alice Rathbun, Mercy Dockray, Elizabeth Reynolds, Hannah Gould Jr. —

The Clerk being absent, Saml Boyd Tobey was appointed to supply his place at this time

The Sub committee made the following Report Viz!

"To the School Committee

The acting Committee Report – That the schools have been continued to satisfaction, and the family have been favoured with general good health and preserved in harmony – Meetings have been regularly kept up, & have frequently been attended by some of the committee – Since our last meeting Benjamin B Hussey the principal Teacher in the boys school has been under the necessity of leaving the Institution on account of ill health, which he did with the consent of most of the Committee residing in this vicinity – the boys school is now under the care of Moses Mitchell & Joseph Hoag. – but this committee and a committee appointed by them, are ~~actively~~ endeavouring to supply the place of Benjamin B Hussey as soon as may be practicable.

The present number of Scholars is One hundred & twenty one, sixty females & sixty one Males – the average number for the last Quarter has also been One hundred and twenty ~~twenty~~ One.

Providence 11th Mo 3. 1829.

Signed on behalf of the committee by

Moses Brown

The subject of introducing into the schools a more particular attention to acquiring a knowledge of the Historical and Doctrinal Truths of the Bible, in accordance with the previous concern of this Committee, being spread in a feeling manner before this meeting, by our friend Moses Brown, produced a general

expression of disputation; and the sub-committee are requested to give attention to the subject & procure such books for the use of the Schools as appear best calculated to promote this object.
Adjourned to 2 OClock this afternoon.

Afternoon, met pursuant to adjournment.

No father business appearing to require the attention of the committee at this time, it is concluded to devote a portion of the Afternoon to visiting the Schools, which visits were performed to good satisfaction.

At a Meeting of the School Committee 2 Mo 5th 1830 Present Moses Brown, Daniel Howland, Abel Arnold, Jonathan Dennis, Rowland Greene, Joseph Metcalf, Stephen A Chase, Rowland Rathbun, David Buffum, Isaac Bassett, Stephen Gould, Silas Cook, Daniel Johnson, Clark Shove, John Farnum, Walter Allen, Cornelius Howland, Nicholas Congdon, Thomas Anthony, John Wilbur Benjamin Freeborn, Samuel B Tobey William Jenkins William Almy David Rodman, - Alice Rathburn, Mary B. Allen, Anna A Jenkins, Rhoda Howland, Mary Buffinton Hannah Dennis Mary Hazard, Mary G Anthony, Susan Howland, Abigail Arnold, Deborah Otis, Mercy Dockray, Mary Shove, Hannah Gould Jr & Sarah B Shove.

The Sub-committee presented the following Report Vizt

The Sub-committee Report, that the Schools have received their attention through the last Quarter, and that they have been continued to usual satisfaction — The Scholars and Family have been generally preserved in health, there having been

but

one case of severe sickness. — Timothy Gifford son of Joseph Gifford, aged about twenty years has been removed by death. — he was an examplary scholar in the Institution — The average number of scholars for the last quarter has been One Hundred & Fifty. — the present number is One Hundred & Fifty seven. — Seventy three females and eighty four males

Meetings have been regularly kept up, and harmony has prevailed in the family and in the Schools. — Joseph Healy has been engaged as a Teacher for six months from 12th Mo 1st his compensation to be at the rate of Two Hundred and twenty five Dollars per Year

Providence 2 Mo 2nd 1830

Signed on behalf of the Committee
Moses Brown. —

Moses Brown Rowland Greene, Isaac Bassett Benjamin Freeborn, Cornelius Howland, Mary B. Allen Hannah Dennis & Deborah Otis. — are appointed to consider of and propose the names of suitable friends for Superintendents of this Institution for the ensuing year. & said committee are also requested to confer with Stephen & Hannah Gould on the subject of their continuance in their present station for another year & Report to a future sitting. —

Stephen A Chase, William Jenkins, William Almy, John Wilbur, Rowland Greene, Sam B Tobey, Alice Rathbun, Anna A Jenkins. Susan Howland, Mary P Hazard & Mary B. Allen, to take into consideration the subject of Teachers in the Scho & report to a future sitting

Adjourned to meet at 2 OClock this Afternoon

Afternoon met by adjournment. —

The Committee appointed in the morning to propose names for Superintendants — Report that they have agreed with Enoch & Lydia Breed to serve the Institution in that Station for one year from 1st of 4th Month next for three hundred and Sixty four dollars, the sum paid them last year.— Which is acceptable to this committee. The same committee also inform that they have confered with Stephen and Hannah Gould & that they have agreed to continue in their present Station in this Institution for One Year from this time for the compensation heretofore paid them which is also acceptable to us.—

The Committee on the subject of teachers inform that they have met and confered together during the receſs of this Committee — but as the time for which most of them were engaged, has not yet expired, they propose that the whole subject of procuring teachers be refered to the Sub-committee, which recommendation is approved, and the Sub-committee is requested to take the neceſsary care that the Schools are supplied with suitable teachers.—

The concern of the committee as expreſsed in their minute of the 5th Month last — to extend the means of instruction in the Institution, so as to embrace, higher branches of learning, than have been heretofore taught — coming again under consideration — And it appearing uncertain whether the object of said concern can be readily accomplished, without providing further accomodations for teachers.— It is our conclusion the Sub-committee be authorised at their discreſion, to provide a residence for a teacher or teachers, of such higher claſs, as they may provide either by erecting a suitable dwelling house, including School rooms, upon the present School lot, or otherwise, as they may think best. — And if in the judgment of the Sub committee the object contemplated may be prospectively furthered by extending aid to suitable young persons of either Sex, with a view to their being hereafter qualified for teachers of the higher claſs in the School, they are authorized to exercise their discreſsion in this respect.—

John Farnum, William Jenkins & Ahab Arnold are appointed to settle the Treasurer & Superintendants accounts & report to our next Meeting. —

At a Meeting of the School committee held 7th of 5 Mo 1830. — Present Moses Brown, William Almy, Benjamin Freeborn, Abraham Sherman Jr, John Farnum, John Osborn, Benjamin Mott, David Buffum, Stephen Gould, Samuel Boyd Tobey, Joseph Metcalf, Moses Farnum, Jonathan Dennis, Ahab Arnold, Rowland Rathbun, William Jenkins Mary B Allen, Hannah Dennis Alice Rathbun, Elizabeth Congdon, Hannah Gould Jr Anna A Jenkins, Elizabeth A Osborne, Susan Ann Buffum, Sarah B Shove, Mary G Anthony, Mary Shove, Abigail Arnold

The Sub-committee made the following Report Vizt

The Sub committee Report that the Schools have received their attention during the past quarter, and that they have been continued to usual Satisfaction. — The Scholars and family have been generally preserved in good health. — Meetings have been regularly kept up and harmony has in a good degree prevailed in the family and Schools as far as appears. — The Teachers reported at our last Meeting have continued in charge of the Schools during most of the past quarter — Joseph Healy has recently left to resume his former school at Pawtucket. — Arrangement has been made with Moses A Cartland to occupy a place as Teacher for one year from the present time, & if employed as second teacher, for a salary of Two Hundred Dollars — Phebe Burgess of Paris N York, has also been engaged as a second teacher in the girls school for one Hundred Dollars Per Year. –

Benjamin B Hussey has returned from his residence at the South, his health in good degree restored, and is willing again to serve the Institution; The Meeting of the General Committee being near at hand, the Subject of employing him as principal Teacher in the boys School is refered to your decision. –

The Average number of Scholars during the last quarter has been 137 – the present number is One Hundred & Seventeen

Providence 5th Mo 4th 1830

Signed on behalf of the Committee –

Moses Brown }
Mary Hazard }

Which is accepable. –

The committee appointed at last Meeting to settle the Treasurer & Superintendants Accounts presented the following Report. –

To the School Committee

The committee appointed to settle the Treasurer and Superintendants Accounts, Report that they have attended to their appointment and herewith present their Account Settled.

Providence 5th Mo 1st 1830

Signed on behalf of the Committee

Ahab Arnold. –

The Sub-Committee inform that Benjamin B Hussey has returned from the South, with his health in good measure restored & manifests a willingness again to serve the Institution. And the engagement of Deborah Ramsdell having nearly

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expired we appoint Moses Brown, William Almy
John Osborne, Benjamin Freeborn, David Buffum,
Anna A Jenkins, Mary B Allen, Alice Rathbun
& Abigail Arnold to confer with them on the
subject of renewing their engagements with the
Institution & report to a future sitting. —

Abraham Sherman Jr Samuel
Boyd Tobey, John Osborne & David Buffum, -
Hannah Dennis, Susan Ann Buffum, Mary
B Allen & Hannah Gould Jr are appointed
to prepare a report to the Yearly Meeting &
produce the same at the adjournment. —

Adjourned to the 3rd hour this afternoon

Afternoon met by adjournment

The committee appointed in the Morning to confer
with Benjamin B Hussey & Deborah Ramsdell
Report that they have ~~contracted~~ agreed with Benjamin
B Hussey to take charge of the boys School as
principal teacher for Four Hundred & Fifty Dollar
pr Year if his health will admit of his staying
that length of time, but if for not longer than
Six Months, his compensation to be at the rate
of Four Hundred Dollars Per Year. — They
Also inform that Deborah Ramsdell has agreed
to continue as principal teacher in the girls schoo
for another year from the 22nd of 6th Mo ensuing
for Two Hundred & Fifty Dollars pr year which
is acceptable to the committee. —

Ahab Arnold is appointed to procure a renewal of the Insurance on this School
House, for the same amount as the last year
& call on the Treasurer for the amount of the
premium. —

The committee appointed in the Morning to prepa
a report to the Yearly Meeting presented the
following Viz —

To the Yearly Meeting, to be held on Rhode-Island in the 6th Mo next.

The Boarding School Committee report, that they have, during the past year, endeavoured to promote the objects confided to their care by the Yearly Meeting in the Superintendance of the Institution. And are thankful in being able to state, that its various concerns have been conducted in a good degree in accordance with the design of Friends in its establishment. Meetings for worship have been regularly kept up, and the family preserved in harmony.

The School is continued under the immediate charge of Enoch & Lydia Breed as Superintendants, in which they have the assistance of Stephen and Hannah Gould — — Benjamin B Hussey, Moses Mitchell, Joseph Hoag; Deborah Ramsdell, Lydia B Allen, and Sarah Fry have been employed as Teachers, during most of the past year — with the exception of Benjamin B Hussey, whose state of health was such in the autumn as to render it necessary for him to retire from the School. during his absence Joseph Healy was employed as an associate teacher. — Benjamin B Hussey is again about to resume the discharge of his former duties, and Moses A Cartland has recently been engaged as an assistant in the Boys department, & Phebe Burgess in the Girls.—

The average number of Scholars during the Year has been one Hundred & twenty seven

The accounts of the Treasurer of the School Fund and of the Superintendant have been recd and audited; and the State of the Fund continues to be such, as to induce the Committee to propose, that Children who are members of this Yearly Meeting continue to be admitted at Twelve & a half Dollars ⅌ Quarter, and that the privilege of Sending

Children free of expense, be continued to the Monthly Meetings, the same as last Year.

The Committee being clearly of the opinion that Children would receive much greater benefit by being sent to the School for not less term of time than Six Months - Friends of Monthly Meetings are advised, as much as may be not to send them for a less term of time when it can be conveniently avoided. —

Friends are also desired not to send boys over the age of fourteen years to the School until the approbation of the School Committee, first obtained, which meets at Providence the third day after the last fifth day in each Month. —

Moses Brown and Mary B. Allen are appointed to sign the foregoing Report to the Yearly Meeting on behalf of this Committee. —

The Sub-committee are requested to take the necessary care to supply the School with teachers if circumstances should be such as to require their interposition

The situation of the Manufacturers Bank being such as to require the care of this committee in the protection of their investment in that Stock - The Treasurer is requested to transfer Ten Shares of the Stock belonging to the School Fund to Ahab Arnold to qulify him for a Director in that Institution. —

At a Meeting of the School Committee held in Newport 6th Mo. 18th 1830.

Present fifty One members

William Jenkins is appointed Clerk for the ensuing year —

The Yearly Meeting have appointed the following friends — their Boarding School Committee — viz — Moses Brown William Almy Daniel Howland Rowland Greene Edward Cobb William Slade Nicholas Congdon Rowland R. Hussey Abijah Chase John Wilbur William Jenkins Walter Allen Joseph Metcalf Jarvis Tucker John Farnum — Benjamin Freeborn Stephen Gould David Buffum Francis Tabor Benjamin Mott Jonathan Dennis John Brown — William Cobb Thomas Howland Stephen A. Chase Rowland Rathbun John Osborn Daniel Clapp David Rodman Abraham Shearman Jr Thomas Jones Clark Shove Cornelius Howland Thomas Fry of Bolton Silas Earle Moses Farnum Ahab Arnold Isaac Bassett Ebenezer Pope Thomas Anthony William Reynolds Isaiah Jones Samuel B Tobey Daniel Johnson Cromwell Barnard George Mitchell George Howland Abraham Tucker Harvey Chase Jonathan Nichols William Mitchell Stephen Jones Jr Joseph Davis Isaac R Gifford John B Dockray Edward Wing Moses Aldrich —

Avis Keene Mary Buffinton Rhoda Howland Elizabeth Barker Elizabeth Wing Phebe Cobb of Gorham Ruth Rodman Mary B. Allen — Hannah Collins Abigail Robinson Anna A. Jenkins Abigail Arnold Elizabeth Congdon Mary F Robinson — Elizabeth Reynolds Hannah Dennis Mary Tabor Alice Rathbun Susan Howland Susanna Gardner Sarah — Barnard Anna Wing Mary Shove Mary Chase of Salem Susan Ann Buffum Hannah Gould Mary F Bowen Alice Chase of Ware Miriam Kendall Deborah Otis Mary G Anthony Sarah B Shove Mercy Dockray Elizabeth A. Osborn Sarah L Tobey Mary A Tucker Elizabeth A Nichols

We appoint the following Friends a Sub Committee to have the particular Charge of the School through the year in the recess of this Committee and they ar desired to give their attention to it, and Report Quarterl their proceedings and the state of the School — Viz. Moses Brown Daniel Howland William Almy Rowland Greene Thomas Howland Abial Arnold David Rodman Samuel B. Tobey David Buffum Stephen Gould John Osborn Henry Chace John Farnum Jonathan Dennis Joseph Metcalf Benjamin Freeborn Walter Allen Rowland Rathbun Thomas Anthony William Reynolds Nicholas Congdon Abrah Shearman Jr Edward Wing Moses Aldrich Abraham Tucker John Wilbur William Jenkins

Alice Rathbun Mary B Allen Anna A Jenkins Elizabeth Wing Abigail Arnold Sarah B Chace Sarah Tobey Hannah Gould Jr Ruth Rodman Elizabeth Reynold Rhoda Howland Hannah Dennis Susan Ann Buffum Mary G Anthony Mary A Tucker Elizabeth Congd Elizabeth A Osborn

It is our conclusio that the Meetings of this and of the acting Committee be held at the same time they were through the last year. —

At a meeting of the School Committee held 8th Mo 6th 1830.

Present Moses Brown William Almy Walter Allen Ahab Arnold Stephen Gould William Reynolds Moses Aldrich Thomas Howland Cornelius Howland Isaack Gifford John Dockray Moses Farnum Abraham Tucker Isaac Bassett David Buffum Rowland Rathbun Saml. B. Tobey John Osborn Nicholas Congdon Edward Wing Abraham Sherman Jr John Farnum Thomas Anthony John Wilbur Clark Shove Henry Chace William Jenkins Mary B Allen Alice Rathbun Mary Dockray Abigail Arnold Elizabeth Wing Mary A Tucker Elizabeth Osborn Hannah Gould Jr Mary G Anthony Sarah B Shove

We have received the following Report from the Sub Committee Viz —

The Sub Committee Report — That the Schools have been continued to usual satisfaction — the average number of Scholars for the past Quarter has been Eighty Nine — the present number is Eighty five — thirty Seven Females & forty eight Males — The Family & Scholars have been favoured with general health — Meetings have been regularly ~~kept up~~ maintained & the family & Scholars preserved in harmony.

Providence 8th Mo 30th 1830

Signed on behalf of the Committee

Moses Brown

Elizabeth Wing

The following Minute of our last Yearly Meeting was read Viz

Yearly Meeting - 6th month 1830.

The interesting subject of educating in a guarded manner such of the Youth of this society as are desirous of obtaining a more extended education than has heretofore been introduced into Friends Boarding School at Providence, having been spread before this meeting by a member of the School Committee, who stated the difficulties that had occurred in finding a suitable

Teacher, not a member of our Society, for such branches as it was thought desirable to introduce:— the subject claimed the attention of the meeting, and resulted in the Conclusion to refer it to the deliberate Consideration of the Committee now about to be appointed for the government and Superintendance of the School and with liberty to said Committee to proceed therein, should way open for it;— they taking especial care that the principles and manners of the Students may be preserved from exposure by the introduction of a Teacher who is not a member, should they be under the necessity of employing such an One.

Moses Brown & William Almy, and others (see Records of 6th Month) being continued by the Committee to which that subject was referred— are appointed with the additio of such others as may be appointed by the Womens Meeting a Committee for the government and Superintendance of the Boarding School at Providence for the year ensuing— and to act therein on behalf of this Meeting— agreeably to the authority & direction heretofore & now given to such Committees

From the Minutes of the Yearly Meeting

Abraham Shearman Jr Clerk

which received the deliberate consideration of this Committee and resulted in the united conclusio to employ a suitable teacher who is not a Member of our Religious Society for the purpose of extending the benefits of a more enlarged education in this Institution— It is our conclusion that such Teacher shall not be a Resident in this family and it is our judgment that a man who has a family be employed in that capacity if any such can be obtained— The duty of such Teacher will be to take the principal charge of the School in the higher branches of Literature & Science and to render such other assistance in the Schools as may be deemed useful by the Committee

Adjourned to half past Two oclock—

Afternoon met by adjournment.—

In accordance with our conclusion in the preceding minute we appoint William Almy Abraham Shearman Jr John Wilbur Thomas Howland John Osborne William Jenkins John Farnum Samuel B. Tobey David Buffum Nicholas Congdon & Isaac Bassett a Committee to take into consideration the subject, and make the necessary arrangements to contract with a suitable person for a Teacher, if such an one can be found - taking especial care that the principles and manners of the children may be preserved from exposure by the introduction of such Teacher, and Report to the sub Committee who are requested to give their aid in the accomplishment of the objects of this Committee on this subject.

At a Meeting of the School Committee held 11th Mon 5th 1830

Present Moses Brown William Almy Benjamin Freeborn John Wilbur David Howland Walter Allen Daniel Clapp John Osborne Stephen Gould David Buffum Edward Wing William Reynolds John L B Dockray Moses Aldrich Rowland Rathbun Nicholas Langdon Elisha Shove David Rodman Joseph Davis Isaac R Gifford Joseph Metcalf Samuel B Tobey Phebe Arnold Moses Farnum John Farnum William Jenkins Abigail Robinson Elizabeth Wing Mary B Allen Alice Rathbun Susan Ann Buffum Mary Dockray Abigail Arnold Elizabeth Reynolds Hannah Gould &c —

The following Report from the Sub Committee was Read, Viz.

To the General Committee

The sub Committee Report — that they have given attention to the school during the past quarter and that it has been continued to good satisfaction

Benjamin B Hussey has Recently been Released from his engagement in the School to pass the approaching winter at the South on account of the delicate state of his health

Jeremiah Hacker has been engaged as an Assistant Teacher for the compensation of $150 pr Annum — Jonathan Slocum has also been employed as an Assistant at Ten Dollars pr Month

The average number of Scholars for the past quarter has been One hundred Fifteen — the present number is One hundred & thirty three Sixty two Females & seventy One Males — and permission has been granted by the Committee to day for several Scholars to enter the School in addition to the above number

The Family and Scholars have been favoured generally with good health Meetings have been regularly kept up and harmony has prevailed

11th Mo 2d 1830. On behalf of the Committee

Moses Brown

The consideration of the reading suitable Books in the Schools of this Institution having been again revived — claimed our serious attention and a lively concern was felt and expressed that the subCommittee continue to give their attention to this important subject agreeable to our Minute of the 11th Month last Year. —

Having been engaged in the consideration of subjects connected with the welfare of the Institution — we adjourn — proposing to visit the Schools and to meet again this afternoon after these visits are accomplished.

Afternoon met pursuant to adjournment.

The Committee have visited the Schools to pretty good satisfaction.

The Committee appointed in the Eighth Month last to carry into effect the conclusion of this Committee under the advice of the Yearly Meeting to establish an additional school in this Institution — have informed us at this time — That the subject received their early attention — and ~~after~~ inspecting the present building — found there was not sufficient accommodation in it for the object intended — and that after consulting with the subCommittee according to the requisition of this Committee — and receiving their advice and sanction — they concluded ~~was~~ that an additional building was necessary for the accommodation of the proposed additional School. — And that they accordingly contracted for such additional building to be built on the North side of the West Wing of this House forty by fifty feet to be connected with the West Wing by a Porch.

The lower or basement story of which is calculated for a Laboratory & Lecture Room, — the second story for School & Recitation Rooms — the third story for — to be divided into lodging Rooms & the attick to be used for the same purpose — The building is to be of Brick and is to be completed for the sum of four thousand six hundred & fifty Dollars.

The building is now in a state of forwardness the outside walls being nearly completed — and there can be no reasonable doubt but that it will be in readiness to be occupied early in the Spring.— Which information of the attention of the Committee to objects of their appointment is satisfactory to us— The committee are desired to continue their attention until the purpose for which they were appointed is accomplished and Report to our next Meeting—

The Treasurer of the School Fund is requested to pay out of the Disposable Fund to the Committee having charge of the erection of the additional building the amount of the cost of said building— from time to time as it may be wanted to meet the payments to the Contractors.—

At a Meeting of the School Committee held 2d mo 11th 1831. Present Moses Brown William Almy Walter Allen John Wilbur Cornelius Howland Jonathan Dennis Abel Arnold Moses Farnum Thomas Tabor David Buffum Nicholas Congdon Edward Wing Thomas Anthony Samuel B Tobey Isaac R Gifford Clark Shove Joseph Metcalf Abraham Sherman Jr Lemuel Robinson Seymour William Reynolds, Alpheus Gould William Jenkins Mary B Allen Hannah Gould Almy Buffum Rebecca Dennis & the Alice Wing Elizabeth Arnold Rachel Tobey. —

The following Report from the Sub-Committee has been read viz

To the General Committee.

The Sub Committee report That they have given general attendance to the School during the last quarter and that it has been conducted in a satisfactory manner. The average number of scholars since our last report has been One hundred & fifty four. — the present number is one hundred & seventy three eighty five females & eighty eight males. —

Meetings have been regularly held both in the family sessions on First days & the health of the family and scholars has been generally good.

Phebe Burgess is at this time in a delicate state of health — so that it is not probable she will be able soon to enter the school and has therefore proposed to return to her friends. Lydia Buffum has resumed her former station in the school for the compensation of three dollars & fifty cents per week. We present for the inspection of the Committee an account of the course of studies and the Books employed in the School.

On behalf of the Sub Committee

Providence 2 mo 1st 1831. Moses Brown
Elizabeth Wing

The statement presented by the sub Committee of the Books used & studied in the School — together with the course of studies — has been read, and is satisfactory.

The Committee having charge of the erection of the additional Building inform that some further progress has been made in the same but on account of the lateness of the season of the year the work has been suspended — but will be resumed early in the Spring — they are continued and desired to Report to our next Meeting.

The subject of procuring Superintendants Assistants & Teachers in the School — coming under consideration in course at this time — We appoint Moses Brown Cornelius Howland William Almy Walter Allen Thomas Anthony Nicholas Congdon Samuel B Tobey John Farnum William Reynolds Elizabeth Reynolds Elizabeth Wing Hannah Dennis Mary Mitchell & Sarah Tobey a committee to take the subject into consideration and propose the names of Friends for those several stations and report to a future sitting of this Committee.

John Farnum Abel Arnold & Wm Jenkins are appointed to settle the Treasurer and Superintendants accounts & report to our next Meeting.

Adjourned to meet at two oclock this afternoon.

Afternoon met by adjournment.

The Committee appointed in the morning to take the subject of the appointment of Superintendants, Assistants & Teachers — Report — that Enoch & Lydia Breed are willing to continue in the Institution in their present station for another year — for the same compensation say $364 per annum. and that Stephen & Hannah Gould are willing to continue to lend their and on the same terms (say $250) as the last year — both of which is acceptable to the Committee.

The Committee further inform that they have agreed to allow Moses Cartland for his compensation as principal Teacher in the boys School since Benjamin B. Hussey left that station to the end of his present year — at the rate of Three hundred Dollars per year — they also inform that they have agreed with him to continue another year from the time his present engagement expires for the same sum say $300 —

They have also agreed with Jeremiah Hacker to continue three Months longer for fifty five Dollars — both of which arrangements are satisfactory.

The arrangements with regard to Teachers not being completed — the subject ~~is defered~~ of supplying the Schools with such as are qualified when necessary — is referred to the Sub Committee who are desired to give their attention to it in the recess of this Committee. —

It appearing necessary that an additional Teacher in the boys School should be procured before the next meeting of the Sub Committee we appoint William Almy Samuel B Tobey John Farnum & Wm Jenkins a Committee to engage one if a suitable person can be found & Report to the Sub Committee. —

Moses Brown William Almy John Farnum Abel Arnold Philip Allen Joseph Metcalf Harvey Chace Abraham Tucker Wm Jenkins are appointed a Committee to extend the necessary care — which the present situation of the Manufacturers Bank in which this Institution is deeply interested seems to require and Report to our next Meeting. —

Statement of the Sub-committee respecting the exercises, & Books used in the School Vizt. "The exercises of each forenoon on 2nd 3rd 5th & 6th days, are recitations in defining, geography, history, rhetoric, philosophy & Astronomy. — PM of the same days, devoted to spelling, reading Arithmatic, book keeping, mensuration, Algebra, Trigonometry, Surveying, geometry, and some other branches of Mathematics.

On 4th day Morning recitation in defining, and reading the Testament — PM — recitation in spelling and in Colburns intel=lectual arithmatic.

On 7th day Morning the exercises are, defining composition, and a review of studies perused during the Week. In the Afternoon no School is kept.

Evenings are chiefly devoted to English grammar. — On first days, Scripture lessons are attended to by the Scholars & recited to the teachers. In the evening the School is collected, & after a suitable pause, select passages from the Scripture, Piety Promoted Annual Monitor, or some other religious book is read in a solid manner by one of the teachers, who generally take turns. — & after a succeeding pause, the School is quietly dismissed.

At the breakfast table of both Schools, portions of Scripture are daily read.

Memorandum of Books used in School —

Reading Books.

Murrays Introduction to the English Reader, Sequel. Piety Promoted, Thompsons Seasons. Cowpers Task. Youthful Piety —

[illegible]

Youngs Night thoughts — Polloks Course of Time —
Miltons Paradise Lost. — Testaments — Bibles
Clarksons Portraiture of Quakerism — Penns No
Cross no Crown

Books of Study. —

Walkers Dictionary — Newyork Expositor
Spelling Definer — Woodbridges & Olneys Geography
Whelpleys Compend. & Worcesters Epitome. —
Polite Learning — An Epitome of the Arts and
Sciences — Browns & Murrays Grammars —
Blairs Lectures of Rhetoric — Hedges Logic

Mathematical Works. —

Mental & Practical Arithmetic by Smith
Colburns Intellectual Arithmetic. — Daboll
Adams, Smileys & Stannifords practical Ditto
Elements of Mathematics by Oliver Angel —
Bonnycastles Mensuration. — Gummeries Surveying & Trigonometry. — Bowditchs Navigator
Colburns Algebra — Lewis Ditto. —
Bonnycastles Do. —

Geometry. —

Playfairs Euclid. — Simpsons Ditto. —
Elements of Geometry by Legendre. —
Vinces Conic Sections. — Huttons course
of Mathematics — Vinces Fluxions —
Gummeries Astronomy — Theoretical & Practical
Fergusons Do. Do.
Wilkins & Freebys Astronomy —
Conversation on Natural Philosophy by Jones
Parks Chemistry — Joyces Do. Websters Do.
Woods Mechanics. — Enfields Institutes of
Natural Philosophy — Keath & Lathrop on
the Globes. —

List

List of Claſses in the Boys School

There are engaged in the study of

Geography —	35
History	9
Philosophy	8
Astronomy	9
Rhetoric	3
Elements of Latin —	1
Arithmatic	50
Mensuration	17
Algebra	9
Surveying	9
Geometry	1
Navigation —	1

List of Claſses in the Girls School

Geography, the school with two exceptions	
Grammar —	all
Arithmatic —	all
Astronomy	21
Philosophy	18
Chemistry	5
Rhetoric	2
Self Knowledge —	2
Book Keeping —	1

At a Meeting of the School Committee held 5th Mo 6th 1831. Present Moses Brown Daniel Howland, William Almy, Rowland Greene Cornelius Howland, Benjamin Freeborn, Walter Allen, Jonathan Dennis, Ahab Arnold, Samuel B Tobey, Moses Farnum, Thomas Anthony, Daniel Clapp, Edward Wing, Benjamin Mott, Harvey Chase, Joseph Metcalf, Rowland Rathbun John Osborne, John Farnum, Stephen Gould William Jenkins, Thomas Howland, John Wilbur Abraham Sherman Jr. — Mary B Allen, Hannah Dennis, Elizabeth Wing, Alice Rathbun, Rhoda Howland Mary G Anthony, Mary Rowe, Sarah L Tobey, Hannah Gould Jr Susan Ann Buffum, Elizabeth A Osborne.

The Sub committee presented the following Report Vizt.

To the General Committee.

The Sub Committee report that they have given attention to the School during the past quarter and that it has been continued to good satisfaction. — Meetings have been regularly kept up and the family preserved in harmony the average number of Scholars during the past quarter has been One Hundred & Forty four. — The present Number is one Hundred & twelve, Vizt. Fifty seven Females & Fifty five Boys. The Scholars & family have been favoured with the enjoyment of general good health during the past three months.

Since our last report Pliny Earle Jr has been engaged as a Teacher in the Boys School and has entered upon his duties as such. for the compensation of Two Hundred and Forty dollars per annum. — Arrangements have also been made with Caroline Cortland to become a Teacher in the Girls School for the compensation of One Hundred Dollars per Annum, and she is expected here in a few days. —

On behalf of the Sub-committee

Providence 5 Mo 3 - 1831

Moses Brown
Hannah Dennis

The Committee to Settle the Treasurer & Superintendents Accounts made the following Report which is acceptable Viz.t

"The committee to settle the Treasurers & Superintendents Accounts, have have attended to the Same & herewith present them. —

For the Committee

Providence
5 Mo 2 1831

Anab Arnold. —

The committee appointed at our last meeting on account of the present state of the Manufacturers Bank, Report, that they have given attention to their appointment & gave some information on the subject which is satisfactory — the same committee are continued, and desired to give the necessary attention & report to next Meeting. —

The time for which Deborah Ramsdell was engaged as principal Teacher in the Girls School having nearly expired — & the time for which Jeremiah Hacker was engaged as teacher in the boys School, having terminated, we therefore appoint Moses Brown, Thomas Howland, Rowland Greene John Osborne, Rhoda Howland, Mary B Allen Alice Rathbun & Susan Ann Buffum

a

committee to confer with them on the subject of their continuing in their respective stations of Report to a future sitting of the Committee.—

We appoint William Almy. John Osborne, Samuel B Tobey, John Farnum, Hannah Gould Jr Hannah Dennis & Elizabeth Wing a committee to prepare a report to the Yearly Meeting to be produced to a future sitting.—

Adjourned to the 3 hour this afternoon.—

Afternoon met by adjournment.—

The committee having charge of the new school building inform that since our last Meeting the building progressed, and now nearly completed — the Committee are continued as originally constituted in the 8 Mo last — and to report as then directed.—

The committee appointed in the morning to confer with Deborah Ramsdell on the subject of her continuance in her present situation. Report, that she is willing to the continue another year for the same compensation she receives the present year.— They also report that Jeremiah Hacker is willing to continue as a Teacher in the boys school in his present Station for one or two Months @ Twenty Dollars ℘ Month.— these arrangements are satisfactory to us.—

The committee appointed in the morng to prepare a report to the Yearly Meeting have produced one, which is approved, and Moses Brown, and Alice Rathbun are requested to sign the same on behalf of this committee, which is as follows Vizt—

To the Yearly Meeting to be held on
Rhode Island in the 6th Mo next. —

The Boarding School Committee report that they have during the past year, endeavoured to promote the objects of their appointment in a general superintendance of the Institution and think they may inform that its various concerns have been conducted in accordance with the intention of Friends in its establishment. — Meetings for Worship have been regularly kept up and the family preserved in harmony. —

The School is continued under the immediate care of Enoch and Lydia Breed as Superintendants with the assistance of Stephen and Hannah Gould. — Moses A Cartland, Jeremiah Hacker and Pliny Earle Jr. are at present employed as Teachers in the Boys School and Deborah Ramsdell, Sarah Fry and Dorcas Fry in the Girls. — Benjamin B. Hussey Lydia B Allen & Phebe Burgess have been also employed during a part of the past year. — Arrangements are now made with Caroline Cartland to occupy the place of an associate Teacher and she is expected to enter upon her duties as such in a few days. The average number of Scholars during the year has been One Hundred & twenty eight. — their health has been generally good, and their conduct and improvement in their studies have been satisfactory to the committee. —

The accounts of the Treasurer of the School Fund and of the Superintendant have been received and audited, and the State of the funds is such that the committee think it safe to propose that children who are members of this Yearly Meeting continue to be admitted at twelve and a half dollars per Quarter. — and that the privilege of sending children free of expense be continued to Monthly Meetings the same as last year. —

The subject of extending the branches of education in the School which was referred to the Committee last Yearly Meeting claimed their early consideration, and they have proceeded in the erection of an addition to the School House suitable for the accommodation of Scholars who wish to pursue a more extended course of education. — A person to have the charge of these branches of learning has not yet been procured, but the Committee entertain a hope that one suitably qualified may soon be engaged. —

It still continues to be the earnest desire of the Committee, that Friends who place their children in the School should be careful that they are habited in plain attire and instructed to conform carefully to the Rules and Regulations of the Institution. And they feel the propriety of again reviving the advice contained in their report last year, that Friends avoid sending Boys over Fourteen years of age to the School until they have obtained the approbation of the Committee that meets at Providence on the third day after the last Fifth day in each month. —

Signed on behalf of the School Committee

Providence
5th Mo 6th 1831

Moses Brown
Alice Rathbun

At a Meeting of the School Committee held at Newport 6th Mo 17 1831

Present 40 members.

William Jenkins is appointed Clerk for the year Ensuing.

The Yearly Meeting having appointed the following Friends their committee to have the government and superintendence of the Boarding School Vizt. Moses Brown, William Almy Daniel Howland, Rowland Greene, Edward Cob (William Slade,) Nicholas Congdon, Samuel F Huffey, Abijah Chase, John Wilbur, William Jenkins, Walter Allen, Joseph Metcalf, James Tucker, John Farnum, Benjamin Freeborn, Stephen Gould, David Buffum, Jonathan Dennis, Francis Taber, Benjamin Mott, John Brown, William Cobb, Thomas Howland, Stephen A Chase, Rowland Rathbun, John Osborne, Daniel Clapp Abraham Sherman Jr Thomas Jones, Clarke Shove, Cornelius Howland, Thomas Fry, Bolton, Silas Earle, Moses Farnum Ahab Arnold, (Isaac Bassett) Ebenezer Pope, Thomas Anthony William Reynolds, Isaiah Jones, Samuel B Tobey, Daniel Johnson, Cromwell Barnard, George Mitchell, George Howland, Abraham Tucker, Harvey Chase, Jonathan Nichols, William Mitchell, Stephen Jones Jr, Joseph Davis, Isaac R Gifford, John B Dockray, Edward Wing, Moses Al Jonathan Congdon, Arnold Congdon, James Fry, Samuel Boyce, John Meader, David Shove. 62 — Mary A Robinson, Avis Keene, Mary Buffinton, Rhoda Howland, Elizabeth Barker, Elizabeth Wing, Phebe Cobb of Gorham, Ruth Rodman, Mary B Allen, Hannah Collins, Abigail Robinson, Anna A Jenkins Abigail Arnold, Elizabeth Congdon, Elizabeth Reynolds, Hannah Dennis, Mary Taber, Alice Rathbun, Susan Howland, Susanna Gardner, Sarah Barnard, Mary Chase of Salem Mary Shove 2nd. Susan Ann Buffum, Hannah Gould Jr. Mary T Brown, Alice Chase of Weare, Miriam Newhall, Mary G Anthony, Ruth Fry, Mercy Dorkray, Elizabeth Osborne, Sarah L Tobey Mary A Tucker, Elizabeth R Nichols, Elizabeth Meader, Caroline Tobey.

We appoint the following Friends a Sub-Committee to have the particular charge of the School through the year in the recess of this committee, and they are desired to give their attention to it, and report Quarterly, their proceedings, and the State of the School. Vizt Moses Brown, Daniel Howland, William Almy, Rowland Greene, Thomas Howland, Ahab Arnold, Samuel B Tobey, David Buffum, Stephen Gould John Oſborne, Henry Chase, John Farnum Jonathan Dennis, Joseph Metcalf, Benjamin Freeborn, Walter Allen, Rowland Rathbun, Thomas Anthony, William Reynolds, Nicholas Congdon Abraham Sherman Jr Edward Wing, Moses Aldrich, Abraham Tucker, John Wilbur, William Jenkins, Samuel Boyce Jonathan Congdon, Arnold Congdon, Moses Farnum. David Shove.–

Alice Rathbun, Mary B Allen, Anna A Jenkins, Elizabeth Wing, Abigail Arnold, ~~Sarah B Shove~~, Sarah L Tobey, Hannah Gould Jr. Ruth Rodman, Elizabeth Reynolds, Rhoda Howland. Hannah Dennis, Susan Ann Buffum, Mary G. Anthony, Mary A Tucker, Elizabeth Osborne, Elizabeth Congdon, Caroline Tobey & Mary A Robinson.

It is concluded that the future meetings of this Committee continue to be held as through the last year, that is, on the 6th day of the Week succeeding the days on which Rhode Island Quarterly Meetings are held, to meet at 10 OClock in the Morning —

At a meeting of the School Committee held 5th of 8th Mo 1831.

Present Moses Brown, Daniel Howland, William Almy, Thomas Howland, Rowland Greene, Abraham Sherman Jr Walter Allen, David Buffum, Elijah Chase, John Osborne, John Slocum, Stephen Gould, Jonathan Congdon, Moses Aldrich, Rowland Rathbone, William Reynolds, Nicholas Congdon Edward Wing, Isaac Bassett, Clarke Shove, Stephen A Chase, Joseph Metcalf, Arnold Congdon, David Shove, Isaac R Gifford, Harvey Chase, Ahab Arnold, Saml B Tobey, Wm Jenkins. — Alice Rathbun, Mary L Allen, Elizabeth Wing, Hannah Gould Jr Mary Chase, Elizabeth Congdon, Mary Shove & Mary Taber.

The Sub Committee presented the following report Viz:

"To the General Committee

The sub-committee report that they have during the past quarter given the usual attention to the School and that it has been conducted in a satisfactory manner. - Meetings have been regularly kept up & harmony preserved -

Since our last report Jeremiah Hacker has left the School, the term of his engagement having expired, and Moses B Lockwood has been engaged as an Assistant for the compensation of ten dollars per Month. -

The Average number of scholars for the last quarter is one hundred and twenty one. The present number is one Hundred & Twenty Six. - The family and scholars have been remarkably favoured with good health, which is cause of thankfulness. -

On behalf of the Sub Committee

Providence 8th Mo 2d 1831
Moses Brown
Caroline Tobey

The Committee appointed to have some care of the concerns of the Manufacturers Bank inform that they have given further attention to the objects of their appointment, and that an application has been made to the Legislature by the Stockholders, and they have been Authorised to remove the Institution into Providence, and that should this contemplated removal be carried into effect, it will be desirable that the funds belonging to this Institution should be properly represented in the direction of it. Whereupon, we have continued the same committee, who are desired to give their attention to the business, and the Treasurer of the School Fund, is authorised under the advisement of the Committee above named - who were appointed in the 2nd Mo last - to Transfer a sufficient number of Shares to qualify such individuals as the Committee may designate for Directors to represent the interest of this Institution in the Manufacturers Bank. —

The Committee having charge of the erection of the building for the accomodation of the additional School to be connected with this Institution, & of the organization of the same - have made the following Report Viz.t — "At a meeting of the Committee appointed for the purpose of procuring Teachers and making arrangements for the higher department of our School, holden in Providence 7th Mo 16th 1831 present William Almy, John Osborne, William Jenkins, John Farnum & Saml Boyd Tobey. —

The following general plan for the arrangement and organization of the Classical School of our Institution was adopted as suitable to propose to the Committee. —

1st The Instructors of the Classical department shall confine their attention to the advancement of the Scholars under their care; except. so far as they can assist the Teachers in the English School in the general arrangement of the Studies, and in the best modes of instruction, as well as by giving their attention to the examinations of the Scholars when requested by the Committee. —

2nd No person shall be admitted into the Claſsical department who has not a competent knowledge of Ancient & Modern Geography, Arithmetic, English Grammar, Algebra, Geometry, Plane & Spherical Trigonometry and Surveying. — The Studies of this department shall comprise Mathematics, Natural and Moral Philosophy, Ancient Languages & Literature, and Modern languages & Literature, to be arranged into four principal divisions to the completion of each of which, one years time shall be devoted. — And no scholar shall be entitled to a Certificate of having acquired a thorough education, who has not become acquainted with all the Branches taught in the School

4th The Scholars shall be arranged in claſses correspondent to the divisions of the Studies. —

5th Any Scholar who applies for admiſsion into an advanced claſs, in addition to the preparatory studies, shall be versed in the various branches to which the claſs he proposes to enter have attended

6th Once in six Months there shall be an examination of each and all the claſses in the several Studies they have pursued, and if any scholar shall be found greatly deficient in application, he shall be placed in the preceding claſs or diſmiſsed from the Institution as the Committee may think best —

7th There shall be a vacation of

Weeks in each year to begin with the commencement of our Yearly Meeting, and at the expiration of the vacation, scholars shall enter for the following year — during the vacation those scholars who do not return to their Friends shall remain in the Institution under the care of the caretakers (N.B. this regulation is not to go into effect until the time of our next Yearly Meeting; & and before that time Scholars may be admitted when most convenient to their parents to send them)

8th At all times except during the hours of study the scholars of this department shall mingle with the other scholars, and shall be under the supervision and direction of the caretakers of the Institution

9th The Scholars of the Classical department shall be subject to all the Rules and Regulations with regard to their conduct and conversation that apply to the other inmates of the Institution

10th The terms of admission to members of our Yearly Meeting shall be one Hundred dollars ℘ Annum, and to those of other Yearly Meetings one Hundred and Fifty dollars, exclusive in both instances of Books and Stationery. —

11th The general government and superintendance of this department, as it relates to the Books of Instruction, the Discipline of the School and in every other respect shall be under the direction of the Committee to the same extent as the department of our Institution at present in operation.

Adjourned to meet at the School House. 6th day Morning 5 of 3 Mo at 8 OC in the Morning —

School House 8 Mo 5 - 1836 - met by adjournment
Present Abraham Sherman Jr Thos Howland, Isaac
Bassett, Nicholas Congdon, William Almy
David Buffum, Wm Jenkins, John Hadwen
John Osborne & Saml Boyd Tobey.

The foregoing propositions were unanimously agreed to as proper to lay before the committee to day, viz the information That since our last general Committee the House for the accommodation of the classical School has been completed — We have not yet been able to procure a suitable Teacher, tho' the subject has recd our attention. Nor has the apparatus yet been procured necessary to carry the views of the Committee into effect. —

Which report has received the deliberate consideration of this committee & resulted in a full expression of Unity with it, and the constitution or Rules contained in said report were adopted for the government of said School, whenever it shall go into operation. — The Committee are continued and desired to give their attention to the completion of the objects of the Yearly Meeting as expressed in their Minute approving the establishment of this School — by procuring a suitable principal Teacher as soon as such an one can be obtained — And also to procure the necessary apparatus for the use of this department of our School — having due reference to the funds which now are or hereafter may be at the disposal of this committee. — It being understood & agreed that the establishment of this department of our Institution shall in no way infringe upon the funds — to continue our present school as it now exists. —

Adjourned to meet at 5 OC this afternoon

Afternoon Met by adjournment. —

The Committee have visited the Schools this afternoon to their Satisfaction. —

At a Meeting of the School Committee held 11th Mo 4th - 1831

Present Moses Brown, Cornelius Howland, Daniel Howland William Almy, Rowland Greene, Nicholas Congdon, Jonathan Dennis, Thomas Howland, Ahab Arnold, Samuel Boyd Tobey, Saml Boyce, Stephen Gould, David Buffum, William Reynolds, Arnold Congdon, Rowland Rathbun, David Shove, John Farnum Moses Farnum, Joseph Davis, & William Jenkins.

Mary A Robinson, Susan Ann Buffum Elizabeth Reynolds, Hannah Dennis, Mary B Allen & Hannah Gould Jr. ——

The following Report from the Sub-Committee has been received & read Vizt -

To the General Committee

The Sub-Committee report that they have during the past quarter given the usual attention to the School & that it has been conducted to satisfaction. —— Meetings have been regularly kept up, and harmony preserved. — The average number of Scholars has been One hundred and Sixty — the present number is One hundred & Seventy five Vizt. seventy eight females & ninety seven Males

Since our last report, Jonathan Slocum has been engaged as an associate Teacher, for the compensation of Twelve Dollars per Month. — We have also engaged Mary Grisome, daughter of John Griscome of New York, as an associate Teacher in the Girls School for the Salary of Two Hundred dollars ℘ Annum, & she is expected to arrive at the School during the present Week. — Isabella Horton has also been engaged as an aſsistant for the compensation of One Dollar ℘ Week & is now in the School

The health of the Scholars during the past quarter has been generally good

The subject of having stated times for the admiſsions of Scholars has claimed the attention of this committee, so far as to suggest the subject for the consideration of the General Committee. —

Providence 11th Mo 1st. 1831

On behalf of the Committee

Moses Brown
Elizabeth Congdon

The committee having charge of the establishment of the new department in this Institution inform that it is probable that it will be open for the reception of Scholars ~~having claimed our~~ before the the next ~~next~~ meeting of this committee. — The subject having claimed our attention we have come to the conclusion to request the Sub-committee to extend their care over this department of the School, & are desired to exercise a sound discretion in the admiſsion of Scholars, having due regard to the peculiar circumstances under which the School will be commenced, & report the State of it in common with that of the other Schools in the Institution

The subject of having stated times for the admiſsion of Scholars, introduced to our consideration in the report from the Sub Committee has received our consideration — it being a subject of general interest to Friends — We have concluded to refer the further consideration to our next Meeting. —

Adjourned to meet at 4 OC this Afternoon —

Afternoon met by Adjournment. —

The Committee have been employed in visiting the Schools since the adjournment, — to their Satisfaction. —

The subject of a careful inspection of the trunks & packages brought by or sent to the Scholars in this Institution having been brought into consideration. — It is our conclusion that the Superintendants & caretakers, make careful inspection of such Trunks & packages, belonging to the Scholars & where any Article of cloathing unsuitable for want of plainness or any other improper Article is found that such Articles be by them retained in their possession, and inform their parents or guardians thereof. —

At a Meeting of the School Committee held 2nd Mo 3rd 1832. Present Moses Benjn Freeborn, Wm Almy, Rowland Greene, Nicholas Congdon, Daniel Johnson, George Howland, David Buffum, Jonathan Dennis, Stephen Gould, Samuel Boyce, Moses Farnum, Thomas Anthony, Wm Reynolds, John Farnum, Francis Faber, John Osborne, Edward Wing, Isaac R Gifford, Arnold Congdon, Rowland Rathbone, Joseph Metcalf, Clarke Shove, Moses Aldrich, Harvy Chase, David Shove, Daniel Clapp, Samuel B Tobey, Abraham Tucker, Wm Jenkins. —

Hannah Dennis, Elizabeth Wing, Susan Howland, Caroline Tobey, Alice Rathbun, Mary G Anthony, Mary A Tucker & Hannah Gould Jr

The Report of the Sub Committee has been presented & read & is as follows,

To the General Committee.

The Sub committee report that they have during the past quarter given attention to the School & that it has been conducted to satisfaction

Since our last report the Classical department of the Institution has been commenced under the care of Samuel J Gummere & four scholars have been admitted into it. — We have agreed to allow Samuel the compensation of six hundred Dollars ℘ Annum — Circulars have been distributed through different parts of the Yearly Meeting giving information that we were ready to receive Scholars into this department of our School

A special Committee of our number has recently visited the Schools. and examined the Scholars in their different studies to pretty good satisfaction. — The average number of scholars for the past quarter has been One hundred & ninety six — The present number is 191 Vizt 77 females & 114 Males. — The health of the children has been generally good — meetings have been regularly kept up & harmony preserved

On behalf of the committee

Providence 1 Mo 31 - 1832 Moses Brown
Caroline Tobey

The following friends are appointed to take into consideration the subject of engaging Superintendants & Assistants for the ensuing year & report to a future sitting — Vizt Moses Brown, Wm Almy Rowland Greene, Benjamin Freeborn, Nicholas Congdon, Elizabeth Wing, Susan Howland Alice Rathbun & Hannah Dennis. —

We also appoint the following friends to take the subject of engaging Teachers for the Schools into consideration & report to a future sitting of the Committee Vizt Moses Brown, John Osborn, Wm Reynolds, Daniel Johnson, George Howland, David Buffum, John Farnum, Saml B Tobey, Samuel Boyce Harvey Chase, Arnold Congdon — Caroline Tobey, Mary G Anthony Mary A Tucker Hannah Gould Jr & Alice Rathbun.

Arnold Congdon, John Farnum, John Osborn, Abraham Tucker, George Howland are appointed to settle the Treasurers & Superintendants accounts for the past year & report to the meeting of this committee in the 5 Mo next —

The subject of having stated times for the admission of Scholars coming before us by reference from last Meeting, received deliberate attention & resulted in the conclusion to appoint the following friends a committee to take this subject, & other subjects of general interest connected with the welfare of this Institution into consideration, and report their views to this committee in the 5th Mo next.— Vizt Moses Brown, John Osborn Wm Jenkins Geo: Howland John Farnum Wm Almy, Rowland Greene, Saml B Tobey, Benjamin Freeborn, Moses Aldrich, David Buffum, Daniel Johnson, Francis Fuller Isaac R Gifford Elizabeth Wing, Susan Howland Alice Rathbun Hannah Dennis & Caroline Tobey

Adjourned to Meet at 3 OC this afternoon

Afternoon met by Adjournment

The committee appointed in the Morning on the subject of Superintendants & Assistants Report that they have conferred with Enoch & Lydia Breed who have agreed to continue another year in their present station for the same compensation heretofore received by them, which is Three Hundred & sixty four Dollars ℘ year which arrangement is acceptable to us

They also inform that they have conferred with Stephen & Hannah Gould who are willing to continue in their present station as assistants— for another year for the sum of Two hundred & fifty Dollars ℘ year being the same compensation heretofore received by them which is also satisfactory

The committee appointed on the subject of Teachers. Report that Moses A Cartland has been conferred with & has agreed to continue in his present station as principal Teacher in the

Boys School one year from the ~~present~~ time of his present engagement for the sum of Four hundred & Fifty Dollars ⅌ year & that Pliny Earl Jr having been consulted has agreed to continue another year as associate Teacher in the same School for the compensation of Three hundred Dollars ⅌ Annum — both propositions are satisfactory to the committee. They also inform that Deborah Ramsdell is willing to engage for another year after her present term shall have terminated for the same compensation heretofore paid her — say Two hundred & Fifty Dollars ⅌ year — which is acceptable to us. —

The arrangement with regard to Teachers not having been completed — The Sub-Committee are desired to take the necessary care that the Schools are supplied with suitable teachers. —

At a Meeting of the School Committee held 5th Mo 4th 1832 —

Present Moses Brown. Benjamin Freeborn, Wm Almy, Cornelius Howland, Thomas Howlan Abraham Sherman, John Farnum, David Buffum Edward Wing, Moses Aldrich, David Shove, John Osborne, John Dockray, Daniel Clapp, Saml B Tobey, Jonathan Dennis, Stephen Gould. Arnold Congdon Moses Farnum, William Jenkins, Harvey Chase.

Mary A Robinson, Hannah Dennis, Elizabeth Wing, Mary Shove, Mercy Dockray, Mary Faber, Elizabeth Congdon, Sarah L Tobey, Susan Ann Buffu & Hannah Gould Jr Mary G Anthony And also Abigail Arnold. —

The committee appointed in the 2nd Mo last to Settle the Treasurers and Superintendants accounts have presented the following report Vizt —

"The committee appointed to settle the treasurer & superintendants Accounts report — they have examined said accounts, herewith presented & believe they are correct: —

To the General Committee
For the Committee

Providence 5th Mo 4th 1832 John Farnum
Arnold Congdon

Martha Barker of Nantucket having proffered her services to this Institution, by a letter from our friend Mary B Allen dated Nantucket 2mo 14th 1832, to give instruction in the French Language & render such other aſsistance in the School as she may be qualified to perform — The proposition received the deliberate consideration of the Committee & resulted in the united acceptance of her proffered Services & Wm Jenkins is appointed to inform her of our conclusion, & the Sub-Committee are desired to exercise care in admitting scholars into a claſs or claſses for the study of the Latin or French Languages. —

Thomas Howland, Abraham Sherman Jr, Wm Almy, David Buffum, John Osborne. Saml B Tobey, John Farnum, Mary A Robinson, Hannah Dennis, Elizabeth Wing, Hannah Gould Jr Susan Ann Buffum — are appointed to prepare a report to the Yearly & present it to the adjournment of this committee: —

① The following Report of the Sub Committee was read & Viz

To the General Committee

The Sub-Committee report that they have during the past quarter given attention to the School & that it has been conducted to good satisfaction. — Meetings have been regularly kept up and the health of the Family and Children has been generally good.

The Average number of Scholars for the past three Months has been One hundred and Seventy ~~four~~ seven — the present Number is 153 Viz^{t} 73 females & 80 Males —

Since the last Meeting of the general committee we have re-engaged Caroline Eastland as an associate Teacher for the Salary of One Hundred Dollars ℘ Annum

&c The present number of Scholars in the Classical department of the School is six — A course of lectures on the science of Chemistry has just been completed by Samuel J Gummere before all the Scholars of the Institution to our satisfaction

Signed on behalf of the Committee

Moses Brown
Elizabeth Wing

Providence 5 M^{o} 1. 1832

Adjourned to meet at ½ past 3 O'Clock this Afternoon —

Afternoon met by adjournment

The Committee appointed at our last Meeting inform that they have conferred together on the Subject of stated periods for the admission of children &c. Propose that in our Report to the Yearly Meeting, this committee propose for that Meeting to recommend to friends to send their children into this School at the time of our Yearly Meeting or on the first Week of the 2nd 5th 8th & 11 Months Which proposition Meets the approbation of this Committee

The committee appointed in the Morning to prepare A report to the Yearly Meeting produced the following Vizt

To the Yearly Meeting

The Boarding School committee report that they have during the past year Superintended the Institution and have cause to believe that it has been conducted in good degree as contemplated by friends in its establishment - Meetings have been regularly kept up as heretofore - The average number of Scholars has been One Hundred and Sixty three. —

The School has been continued under the care of Enoch & Lydia Breed as Superintendants, with the assistance of Stephen & Hannah Gould — Moses A Cartland Pliny Earl Jr & Jonathan Slocum have been employed as Teachers in the Boys School. & Debbrah Ramsdell Mary Griscom & Caroline Cartland in the Girls. —

Moses B Lockwood & Isabella Horton have also been engaged as assistants during a part of the year. —

The accounts of the Treasurer of the School Fund & of the Superintendant have been received & Audited - the State of the Funds, is such that the Committee think it safest to propose that each Monthly Meeting have the privilege of Sending one Scholar Six Months free of expense, & that the price for Scholars generally be continued the Same as last Year

The Committee believe it best to propose for the consideration of the ~~Committee~~ Yearly Meeting the recommending to Friends to endeavour to send their Children to the School as nearly as may be at the following periods Vizt — At the time of our Yearly Meeting, or in the first week of the 2nd 5th 8th and 11th Months — And they would also propose that children should not be sent for a less time than six Months — unless under peculiar circumstances the consent of the Sub Committee shall be obtained for a less term.

Since our last report the department of our School for instruction in the languages and some of the higher branches of science has been commenced under the care of Samuel J Gummere whose services have been performed acceptably to the Committee — The terms for the admission of Scholars who are members of our Yearly Meeting into this department are One hundred Dollars P Annum exclusive of Books & Stationary. and no scholar is admitted for a less time than one year, nor until permission shall have been granted for such admission by the sub-Committee

In reviewing the State of the School for the past Year — The Committee have cause to acknowledge with thankfulness that the family & Scholars have been generally preserved in health.

Signed on behalf of the School Committee held at Providence 5 Mo 4. 1832

Moses Brown
Elizabeth Wing

The committee appointed in the 8 Mo 1830 have again reported — Which is accepted & the same committee are continued & desired to give their attention to the completion of the objects entrusted to ~~their~~ them & report to a future Meeting — And they are also requested to promote subscriptions among Friends to accomplish the object recommended in the Report —

Report

"The Committee appointed in the 8th Mo 1830, and from time to time continued with Authority to make the necessary arrangements for the accommodation of a School for the prosecution of the higher branches of learning, Would at this time, in addition to what they have heretofore communicated to the Committee, report that they have given attention to the remaining duties assigned them & have procured a sufficiency of apparatus for a course of lectures on the Science of Chemistry, which by direction of the Sub-Committee, has been delivered during the past three Months by Samuel J Gummere, before all the Scholars of the Institution, Satisfactory to those that have attended them — We have also commenced a collection of Philosophical apparatus which is not yet completed — a catalogue of all that we have procured with the price of each Article annexed is herewith presented by which it will be seen that a little more than Nine Hundred dollars has been expended — additional articles of apparatus to the amount of about One Hundred dollars have been ordered & are daily expected. —

Your committee have cause to believe that they already see beneficial results beginning to follow from the extension of education in our School — an impulse has been given to the efforts of the children in the attainments of knowledge — they have been enabled by illustrations made to the eye, as well as by appeals to the understanding, to perceive something of the advantage to be found in the pursuit of science and what before has been to them perhaps too [illegible] much a dull routine of duty has received an interest that has awakened them to increased zeal and activity.— To view the establishment of the department of the School to which we allude, on the liberal plan on which it has been commenced, Viz.t the purpose of imparting to a portion of our children all the useful School learning they can require for any business of life may exert an influence on the future destiny of our religious Society within our limits. For we look upon it as a great safe guard in the protection of a very interesting class of our members. — Those who have a relish for literary pursuits & being determined to acquire an education, have been heretofore obliged to resort to the Colleges of our country, where by the influence of their associates they have been we believe in almost every instance swept from the bosom of Society. — That the establishment of this School may be conducive to the preservation of those is surely no light consideration. —

But in order to secure the confidence of society and effect the desired end we must not be limited as to the means of instruction in any respect — Our apparatus is yet far from being sufficient to illustrate the principles of Philosophy — an appropriation of money at least equal to what has been already expended will be required in order to make it tolerably complete — Nor can it be supposed that one Instructor can be adequate to our purposes — No one man can be found competent for instruction in every thing that is necessary for us to teach; And as the School will undoubtedly increase in the number of its Scholars as we render it worthy of patronage, our attention should be directed to engaging another competent Instructor when way opens for it and the interest of the School seems likely to be promoted by it.—

In order to raise the necessary funds for procuring apparatus it has seemed to us best to make an effort to obtain them by a voluntary subscription from those friends who feel willing to contribute of their means to the attainment of an end so desirable — We would therefore suggest the propriety of this committee requesting friends in different parts of the Yearly Meeting to contribute in their freedom for this purpose.—

In conclusion we may remark that we feel satisfied of the propriety of making some alterations in the Rules reported by us and adopted by the General Committee for the regulation of the Classical department, particularly as regards the requisitions of scholarship for admission into it — but as the School is now just commencing & some of the preparatory branches of study that friends may think proper to require, are not at this time taught in our English School, we do not see a better course can be adopted at present than the liberal one already pursued by the Sub-Committee

On behalf of the Committee

Providence 5th Mo 4. 1832

Thomas Howland

At a Meeting of the School Committee held at Newport 6th Mo 15th 1832.—

Present 36 Members

William Jenkins is appointed Clerk for the year ensuing.—

The following friends have been appointed by the Yearly Meeting to constitute the School Committee

for the ensuing Year Vizt
Moses Brown, Wm Almy, Daniel Howland
Rowland Greene, Edward Cobb, Nicholas Congdon
Saml F Huſsey, Abijah Chase, John Wilbur, Wm
Jenkins, Walter Allen, Joseph Metcalf, James
Tucker, John Farnum, Benjamin Freeborn
Stephen Gould, David Buffum, Jonathan
Dennis, Francis Taber, Benjamin Mott, John
Brown, Wm Cobb, Thomas Howland, Stephen A
Chase, Rowland Rathbone, John Osborne,
Daniel Clapp, Abraham Sherman Jr Thos Jones,
Clarke Shove, Cornelius Howland Thomas Fry
of Bolton, Silas Earl, Moses Farnum, Ahab
Arnold, Ebenezer Pope, Thomas Anthony,
Wm Reynolds, Isaiah Jones, Saml Boyd Tobey,
Daniel Johnson, Cromwell Barnard, George Mitchell
George Howland, Abraham Tucker, Harvey Chase
Jonathan Nichols, Wm Mitchell, Stephen Jones,
Joseph Davis, Isaac R Gifford, John B Dockray
Edward Wing, Moses Aldrich, Jonathan Congdon,
Arnold Congdon, James N Fry, Saml Boyce
John Meader, David Shove, Elijah Pope
Sands Wing & Reuben J Peckham.

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Mary A Robinson, Avis Keene,
Mary Buffinton, Rhoda Howland, Elizabeth
Barker, Elizabeth Wing, Phebe Cobb of Gorham,
Ruth Rodman, Mary B Allen, Hannah Collins
Abigail Robinson, Anna A Jenkins, Abigail Arnold
Elizabeth Congdon, Hannah Dennis, Mary Taber
Alice Rathbun, Susan Howland, Susanna
Gardner Sarah Barnard, Mary Chase of Salem
Mary Chase 2nd Hannah Gould Jr Susan
Ann Buffum, Mary T Brown, Alice Chase of
Weare, Miriam Newhall, Mary G Anthony, Ruth
Fry, Mercy Dockray, Elizabeth Osborne, Sarah
L Tobey, Elizabeth R Nichols, Mary A Tucker,
Elizabeth Meader, Caroline Tobey, Margaret

Barker, Lydia B Capron, Sophronia Page, Anna Wing, Hannah Pope of Vaſsalborough. –

We appoint the following friends a Sub-committee to have the particular charge of the School through the year in the receſs of this Committee, and they are desired to give their attention to it and report Quarterly their proceedings and the State of the School. – Vizt

Moses Brown, Daniel Howland, Wm Almy, Rowland Greene, Thos Howland Ahab Arnold, Saml B Tobey, David Buffum, Stephen Gould, John Osborne Harvey Chase John Farnum Jonathan Dennis, Joseph Metcalf, Benjn Freeborn Walter Allen, Rowland Rathbun, Thomas Anthony Wm Reynolds, Nicholas Congdon, Abraham Sherman Jr, Edward Wing, Moses Aldrich, Abraham Tucker John Wilbur, Wm Jenkins, Saml Boyce, Jonathan Congdon, Arnold Congdon, Moses Farnum, David Shove, Reuben, J Peckham. –

Alice Rathbun Mary B Allen, Anna A Jenkins, Elizabeth Wing, Abigail Arnold, Sarah L Tobey, Hannah Gould Jr Ruth Rodman, Rhoda Howland, Hannah Dennis Susan Ann Buffum, Mary G Anthony, Mary A Tucker, Elizabeth Osborne, Elizabeth Congdon Caroline Tobey, Mary A Robinson, Lydia B Capron & Margaret Barker. –

The above committee are to meet at the same times & place, as during several years past

At a Meeting of the School Committee
held 8th Mo 3d 1832 —

Present Moses Brown, Wm Almy
Thomas Howland, Joseph Metcalf, Wm Reynolds
Stephen Gould, Arnold Congdon, John Farnum
Saml B Tobey, William Jenkins, Reuben J Peckham, Caroline Tobey, Elizabeth Congdon &
Hannah Gould Jr. —

The Sub Committee presented the following Report Vizt

"To the General Committee. — The Sub-committee Report, that, At a Meeting of this Committee held 7th Mo 3d information was received that the Asiatic Cholera had made its appearance in New-York. — It became a question of solemn importance to the members convened, what measures would be necessary to pursue in relation to the School, if this malady should still further extend, and in order more deliberately to consider the subject we adjourned until the 3d hour the same Afternoon. — On again meeting the responsibility resting upon us, was felt to require the exercise of much prudence, and doubting the authority to do what might be necessary in the case - It was concluded to apply to the Meeting for Sufferings for its counsel and advice. which was accordingly done. - This Committee again met in the Afternoon of the 4th & received a communication from said Meeting, authorizing us to take such measures in regard to the Institution, as under existing circumstances the judgment of this committee might dictate, either by diminishing the number of Scholars, or, even vacating the School for a season. — An adjourn~~ment~~ed Meeting was concluded on to meet on the 7th at the 3d hour. of this many of the more remote members were inform'd, and invited to attend. — On the 7th the account from NYork was increasingly alarming, seven children had been sent for, or taken home by their parents, and a degree of excitement being apparent in some others, it was deemed adviseable to vacate the School – a circular to parents & guardians of the children was agreed on, directed to be signed on behalf of the Committee & forwarded as soon as practicable, which was accordingly done. –

These proceedings have been the result of much deliberation & caution, and from a belief that if this desolating calamity should reach us, the communication between this and the friends of the children would be much obstructed, if not utterly impracticable. And altho' the health of the remnant of the family to this time has been uninterrupted, and it may appear that the school might have been continued safely, yet we believe it would not be right to cherish feelings of regret at its suspension, but rather thankfully and gratefully to commemorate the preservation which has been thus far experienced. – It was the desire of the committee that the Superintendants, Assistants & Teachers should remain and constitute a family, which they were willing to do. – Meetings have been regularly kept up as heretofore. – The number of Scholars remaining in the Institution is five – they are Male Scholars – all the others of both sexes, having returned to their homes – agreeably to the conclusion of this committee on the 7th inst. –

The average number of Scholars to 7mo. 3o – our last regular Meeting was One Hundred & Forty one – since which as we have before noticed most of the Scholars have left. – the few now here, remain on Sufferance until the Meeting of the General Committee

Providence 7mo. 31. 1832. – Signed on behalf of the Committee"

Moses Brown

Hannah Gould Junr

And the prudence manifested by the Sub-committee meets our full approbation.— Four cases of the Cholera having occurred in this City since the date of their report— all of which terminated fataly on the 1st instant.

This committee approves of the continuing in the Institution of the Superintendants assistants & Teachers in the several Schools as requested by the Sub-Committee

The Vacation of the Schools affording a good opportunity to make repairs— the Sub-committee are desired to take the Necessary care— & cause such repairs to be made on the buildings & premises, as may be deemed best by them.—

The few Scholars remaining when the Sub Committee made their report, have since left, & are about leaving the Institution.—

We have concluded to adjourn to meet on 3rd day the 4th of 9th Mo at half past Ten O Clock— & Stephen Gould is requested to give this information to such of the Members of the Committee, who are not present.

At an adjourned Meeting of the School Committee held 9th Mo 4th 1832—

Present Moses Brown, Wm Almy, Thomas Howland, Rowland Greene Rowland Rathbun, Moses Farnum, William Reynolds, Thomas Anthony, Stephen Gould John Farnum, Reuben J Peckham Wm Jenkins, Saml Boyd Tobey, Alice Rathbun Caroline Tobey, Hannah Gould Jr.—

The subject of reopening the School

having received our full consideration, we are united in judgment that the time has not arrived when it will be proper or safe to do so. — Seven cases of the Cholera & three deaths having occurred in this City within the last three days — under these circumstances we have concluded to adjourn to meet on 3rd day 10th Mo 2nd at half past 10 OClock AM. & Stephen Gould is requested to give this information to the Members of the committee who are not now present. —

Yearly Meeting Boarding School 10th Mo 2nd 1832. — The School Committee met pursuant to adjournment. — Present Moses Brown, Daniel Howland, Wm Almy, Rowland Greene, Thomas Howland, Abijah Chase, Wm Reynolds, Samuel Boyd Tobey, Edward Wing, Stephen Gould, Joseph Metcalf, Nicholas Congdon, Arnold Congdon, Thomas Anthony, Rowland Rathbun John Oſborn, Arnold Congdon, John Farnum, William Jenkins, Moses Farnum,

Elizabeth Wing, Elizabeth Congdon, Alice Rathbun, Mary Chase, Elizabeth Osborn, Sarah L Tobey & Hannah Gould Jr

Having had the subject of reopening the School under deliberation this morning, the further consideration of the subject is referred to an adjourned Meeting this Afternoon. —

Adjourned to Meet at the 3rd hour this Afternoon. —

The subject of the reopening of the School coming again under consideration it is our conclusion that that the parents & guardians of those Children who were Scholars at the time of the vacation, be informed that they are at liberty to send them back to School on or after the 15th instant agreeably to the following communication, which the Clerk is directed to sign on behalf of the Committee & Stephen Gould is requested to have copies made out & forward them to those to whom the Circular of the 7th Mo last was sent.

Communication Vizt -

" Yearly Meeting Boarding School 10 Mo 2 - 1832

Esteemed friend Since the communication of the Sub-committee to thee of the 7th Mo 7th one regular meeting of this committee & several adjournments have been held - But until the present time we have not felt at Liberty to offer any encouragement in relation to the re-opening of the School. — We may now inform that the health of the family remaining here has been nearly uninterrupted, no case of the Malignant Cholera has taken place in this institution or in its immediate neighbourhood, altho several persons in the City & surrounding villages, have by its visitation been suddenly removed from time & some individuals who were severely attacked have recovered, & notwithstanding cases of the disease continue occasionally to occur. - We are induced to believe it may be expedient to resume the School & propose to thee if consistent with thy own views & feelings, to send thy Child (or children) who were members of the School at the time of vacation, on or after the 15th of the present month

For the preservation hitherto extended, we feel, we trust, humbly thankful & desire to confide in the continued protection of Him, whose mercies are indeed new every morning - But while we thus speak we feel it our duty

to

remind thee, that the peculiar responsibility of placing children in the institution under present circumstances, must rest with parents & guardians themselves, altho' they may feel assured that the caretakers here, will do every thing in their Power for the preservation of the Scholars should disease visit them

Signed by direction & on behalf of the School Committee

William Jenkins, Clerk

The committee having been informed that the services of our friend John Griscom may probably be obtained as a literary Principal in this Institution – the subject received due consideration & a general expression of sentiment favourable to his services being secured was the result – And William Almy is appointed to correspond with him on the subject & report to the Meeting of this Committee in the 11th Month next

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At a Meeting of the School Committee held 11 Mo 2nd 1832

Present Wm Almy Cornelius Howland, Thomas Howland, Jonathan Dennis, Walter Allen, Abraham Sherman Jr, George Howland John Osborn, Moses Aldrich, Moses Farnum Rowland Rathbun Edward Wing, John Farnum David Buffum, Saml Boyce, David Shove, Stephen Gould, Saml Boyd Tobey, Sands Wing, Joseph Davis, Nicholas Congdon Abraham Tucker Arnold Congdon, Wm Jenkins,

Elizabeth Congdon, Elizabeth Wing

Hannah Dennis, Rhoda Howland, Mary A Robinson Mary B Allen, Alice Rathbun, Anna A Jenkins Sarah L Tobey, Hannah Gould Jr—

The Sub-committee have presented the following report which was read Vizt

To the General Committee

The Sub-committee report that since the last Meeting of the General Committee the School has been opened agreeably to their direction—

The present number of Scholars is thirty, 16 females & 14 males — & we have this day consented to the admission of 25 Scholars

The Health of the children & family is good — Meetings are regularly kept up & harmony prevails — ~~the Meetings are regularly~~ The time of Service of Samuel J Gummere & Mary H Griscom, has nearly expired as well as the time for which Martha Barker volunteered her services, which is referred to the attention of the General Committee

On behalf of the Sub Committee

Providence 10mo 30 1832 Wm Jenkins Clerk

The subject of obtaining the services of our friend John Griscom as Literary Principal in this Institution coming under consideration ~~& a full expression~~ by reference from the minutes of our last Meeting &c due consideration & a full expression of sentiment favourable to his services being secured, was made — And he being here at this time we appoint Wm Almy, George Howland, Samuel B Tobey Thomas Howland, Abraham Sherman Jr, John Osborne David Buffum & John Farnum to confer with him on the subject & report to a future sitting of this committee.—

Adjourned to the 3^d hour this Afternoon

Afternoon met by adjournment

The Sub-committee informed us that the time for which Mary H Griscom was engaged as teacher has nearly expired & that the period for which Martha Barker offered her services has also nearly elapsed — a Committee was named in the Morning to confer with them on the subject who report to this sitting that Mary H Griscom is not prepared at this time to give a definite answer, but that she would continue for the present, for her present compensation.— the subject of re-engaging her, or if neceſsary supply any deficiency which may occur by reason of her leaving or other cause, is referred to the Sub-committee.— They also inform that Martha Barker does not consider that she has performed the amount of service originally tendered to this Institution — by reason of the late vacation of the School, & that she is willing to continue four Months longer without compensation which is acceptable to the Committee.—

The Subject of re-engaging Samuel J Gummere as teacher in the New department of the School having been referred to the committee appointed to confer with John Griscom — they inform that Samuel is willing to Continue as a Teacher in his present Station until the first of Tenth Month next at least, for the Compensation now rec^d by him that is at the rate of Six hundred Dollars ℘ Annum, which is acceptable to us.—

The Committee appointed in the Morning to confer with our friend John Griscom, Reports that they have conferred with him on the Subject & find that he is not ready at this time to make a definite arrangement — under these circumstances we have concluded to appoint the following friends viz.t William Almy, William Jenkins, Samuel Boyd Tobey, Thomas Howland & John Farnum to negociate further with him if way should open. — And they are hereby authorised to engage his services — provided this object can be satisfactorily accomplished, and report the result to our next Meeting.

Stephen Gould is requested to inform by letter some friend in the several Monthly Meetings in the three eastern Quarterly Meetings that the School is now open for the reception of Scholars

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At a Meeting of the School Committee held 2nd Mo 8th 1836.

Present Moses Brown, Wm Almy, Walter Allen, Rowland Greene, John B. Dockray, George Howland, Moses Farnum, Thomas Anthony, David Buffum, Clarke Shove, Nicholas Congdon, Elihu Wing, Francis Taber, Saml Boyce, Arnold Congdon, Rowland Rathbun, Moses Aldrich, David Shove, John Osborne, Isaac R. Gifford, Stephen Gould, Wm Reynolds, John Farnum, Saml B. Tobey, Wm Jenkins, Jonathan Dennis,

Elizabeth Wing, Alice Rathbun, Mary Chase, Caroline Tobey, Hannah Collins, Abigail Arnold, Mary Shove, Mary G. Anthony, Mercy Dockray, Hannah Gould &c. —

The Sub Committee have presented the following Report

To the Genl Committee

The Sub-Committee Report that during

the past quarter, the School has been conducted to their satisfaction. — Meetings have been regularly kept up & harmony preserved — The average number of Scholars for the last three Months has been 175 – the present number is 196 Vizt 94 females & 102 males — Eleven lads are engaged in the claſsical department —

Since our last report the Institution has been visited with sickneſs to a greater extent than has been common, more particularly with Scarlet Fever – & there has been one instance of Death in an amiable young man – Albert Sawyer, aged about 16 Years from Henniker New Hampshire – Early information was given his friends of his sickneſs & his older brother was with him for several days previous to his decease – His parents arrived in season to attend his funeral & appeared to bear their loſs with christian resignation. —— We have however the satisfaction to state that at this time with one or two exceptions, the family & children are favoured with good health –

Our frd John Griscom made an acceptable communication which we forward for the consideration of the Genl Committee. –

Boarding School 2nd Mo 5 1833.
On behalf of the Committee Wm Jenkins, Clerk

The Committee appointed at our last Meeting inform that agreeably to their appointment they had engaged the services of our friend John Griscom for one year for the salary agreed to by the Committee at that time Vizt for Fifteen hundred Dollars pr Annum, and that he has entered upon the duties of his station which is satisfactory to this Committee

A communication from John Griscom our Literary Principal, forwarded by the Sub-Committee has been read, & was satisfactory – And the several important suggestions contained therein, – recd our attention and resulted in the conclusion to appoint a committee to take them into further consideration & report their judgment on the several propositions to our next Meeting — and the committee are authorised to direct such Minor improvements on the premises or improvements in the arrangements of the School as may be deemed useful — and also to suggest to this committee such alterations & improvements as may appear to them necessary — Moses Brown Wm. Almy, Rowland Greene, John Osborne, John Farnum Saml. B. Tobey, George Howland, David Buffum, Wm. Reynolds, Saml. Boyce Wm. Jenkins, Alice Rathbun, Abigail Arnold, Elizabeth Wing, Caroline Tobey, are appointed for that Service.

The period having arrived when the Annual appointment of Superintendants Assistants & teachers has been made — the following friends are appointed to take into consideration the subject of supplying the Institution with suitable Superintendants, Assistants &c & Report to a future sitting of this Committee Vizt. Moses Brown, Wm. Almy, David Buffum, John Osborn, Samuel B Tobey, Edwd. Wing, Thomas Anthony, George Howland, Rowland Greene, Francis Baber, Samuel Boyce, Nicholas Congdon, Wm. Jenkins, — Elizabeth Wing, Hannah Collins, Mary Chase, Caroline Tobey, Mary Shove & Mercy Dockray

Adjourned to Meet at half past three o'Clock this Afternoon

Afternoon met by adjournment

The Committee appointed in the Morning to take into consideration the subject of procuring Superintendants for the ensuing year, in consequence of the following communication from Enoch & Lydia Breed, Vizt.

To the General Committee of Friends Boarding School: —

Under a Consideration of the responsibility which rests upon those who are intrusted with the Superintendance of this Institution, together with the length of time during which we have been employed, & the advanced period of life at which we have arrived. we consider it best, & therefore do resign our Charge unto those who have intrusted us with it

Enoch Breed }
Lydia Breed }

Report, that they are still desirous of being released but are willing to remain until the 11th Mo if it should be necessary on account of the Committee's not being able to supply their places sooner — they however thinks it desirable to be released as soon after the expiration of their present engagement as may be practicable The same Committee inform that Stephen & Hannah Gould are willing to continue for the present as Assistants which is satisfactory

They Also inform that Moses A Cartland is willing to engage as principal teacher in the boys School untill the 1st of 11th Mo — And that Pliny Earl will continue three Months from the last of the present Month for the compensation at the rate of $350 Pr Annum & that Jonathan Slocum whose time does not expire until the 4th Mo is not prepared to renew his engagement. — They Also inform that Deborah Ramsdell is not prepared to renew her engagement at this time for her present compensation — that Mary H Griscom is willing to continue another year for the compensation heretofore recd by her Vizt Two Hundred Dollars — And that Caroline Cartland is willing to continue another year, compensation One Hundred Dollars. — The Several arrangements effected are satisfactory to this committee — And the Sub-committee are requested to take the necessary care to supply the Schools with a sufficient number of competent Teachers in the English Schools. — The Subject of engaging the future services of Martha Barker - And also the subject of a small compensation for past services, is also refer'd to the same committee.—

The subject of procuring Superintendants for this Institution claiming our attention for reasons assigned in the foregoing Minutes - We appoint the following friends a Committee to take the necessary care - and use their endeavours to procure suitable friends - to supply the place of the present Superintendants — Viz^t Moses Brown, Wm Almy, Rowland Greene, David Buffum, Wm Jenkins, Moses Aldrich, Samuel B Tobey John Osborn, Moses Farnum, George Howland, Francis Taber, John Farnum, Saml Boyce Edwd Wing Thomas Anthony — Elizabeth Wing Mary Chase, Hannah Collins Alice Rathbun & report to our next Meeting.—

We appoint the following friends a committee to settle the accounts of the Treasurer & Superintendent & report to our next Meeting Viz^t John Farnum, Arnold Congdon, Wm Jenkins & John Osborn.—

page 1. The yearly Meeting Submits the Goverment of the Schoo
1718 to the meeting for Sufferings and the Womens Committee
2. A Committee Appointed to prepare Rules for the School and reported them
3. The Rules are Enterd in page 3, 4, 5
5, No Children be admitted Under 8. Except certain Cases No Mail to remain or be admitted after the age of 14 with the Liberty of the Committee.
6. Committee report Mathew & Betsey Purinton for Superintendants at 300 dollars a year. The School to be Opened on the 1st of 1st mo being 6th day of the Week 1819.
6&7. The Committee appointed to draw Rules, appointed the Acting Committee till an Other is Appointed.
7. Notice given friends of the Opening of the School, the price 25 dol pr Qr. no Child to be admitted for a Less term than 3 Month, nor in any Other than a plain Dress.
Untill a boarding House be Established in the Neighbourhood of the School, friends that accompany their Children may be accommodated with board at a moderate price.
All Letters to the Schollars must pay the postage, or be Charged.
8. Religious Meetings at the School. Advice Issued to the monthly Meetings to Appoint Committees to Enjoin that Children come in a plain dress & the Use of the plain Scripture Language &c.
9. 1st 1 mo 1819. The School was Opend, the Officers &c. 29 males & 20 females and at the End of the first Quarter to 78 Schollars.
All communication or Intercourse between Other young Men as well as Schollars, and female Schollars be discouraged and prevented as far as possible —
pag 10. 5th mo 1819. Report to the yearly Meeting. duties & Office of the Acting Committee &c. Exceptions of holding Meetings at the time of the Monthly & Quarterly meetings at Providence
pg 11. The Meeting for Sufferings is again the Mens Committee re-named.
12 An Acting Committee Selected, to Attend to the particular and General Concerns of the Institution for the year —
13. Most of the first Teachers Noticed, as leaving & Others Applyd for
14. A Testimony to their Services. Sallaries of Deborah Hill Fixed, and an addition of 75 dollars to the Superintendants & Thomas Howland & Eunice Jones, concluded on.
15. Stephen Chace's Sallary. Superintendants Acct Setled and an Inventory of the propperty presented. Abigail Pearce Engaged as Principal Teacher at 200 dol a year — Salary of Superintendants Lowerd to 300 dols.
16. Salary of Thomas Howland & Stephen Chace Agreed on. Letters to send from the Schollars may be inspected i.e. Almy and Browns Acct Setled.
17 Report of the Committee to the yearly Meeting —

p.g 19. The Reduction of price "for the Children and
Connections of Friends to 20 dol.

1820. page 18, The Yearly meetings Committee named by them
6 Mo. and the Acting Committee also, & to report to the Gene-
-ral Committee - and to call Meetings by the Apply-
19. cation to the Clerk, of 7 members &c
The price for board &c Lowered to 20 dol for members.
Times of Meeting of the General Committee agreed on
20. 11th Mo 1820, Superintendants Acct &c Adjusted & Stated.
21. 1821. Salaries of Teachers Settled &c
21. Report to the yearly Meetings and their reappoint-
ment of the Committee with some Additions all Entered —
and the Acting Committee Selected & their Service —
22. The Comtee Report 1 death by Sickness & One drowned,
Report to the yearly Meeting &c —
23. The Committee re chosen and named, also the Acting
Committee.
24th. The Acting Committee now first name the Sub Comtee
25. 11th Mo. Thomas Howland & Stephen A Chace Leave the School &
Thomas Wilber & Isaiah Jones Supplys their places &c
The Acting committee propose buildings for the Exercise of the
Schollars & they are Authorised to Cause such to be Erected.
26. The Superintendant Acct Settled. Also the Treasurers Acct —
the amount in his care how to be Considerd &c &c
a London Epistle orderd to be printed.
28. Recommendation of the acting Committee in regard to the Child-
ren or Schollars comeing & having Plain Dress Adopted and
the Superintendants to Govern Accordingly. —
Isaiah Jones, principal Teacher in room of Thomas Wilber & Samuel
Tobey chosen as Assistant
29. Report to the Yearly Meeting, Sarah Lockwood recd a Teacher
30. The doings of the yearly Meeting of 1822, being Omitted in its pla
are here Entered, Some members released and Others Chosen
31. Superintendants Acct Settled
32. Equalizing the Expence of Sending Schollars from the remote parts
Concluded on and Inacted.
33. The Teachers Wages raised and Settled —
The paragraph of Thomas Folsoms Will, to the Institution
and the Extract of Sylvester Wa[illegible] Will entered.
33 & 34 Extracts of Obadiah Browns Will Entered.
35. Extract of Lydia Tillinghasts Will Entered. —
A Report of the Sub Committee Embracing Various Subjects.
36. Report to the yearly Meeting containing divers
affecting and Interesting Matters as Deaths &c
37. The Committee's Names Appointed this year (1823) are Entered
38. Sub Committee's Names.